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People To Watch in 2004

Our annual list of individuals
worth keeping an eye on

By Thomas K. Arnold, Tom Blair,
Ron Donoho and Margie Farnsworth

THESE SAN DIEGANS have all given us cause to suspect they're up to something - mostly good. They are scientists and sheriffs. Writers and artists. Businessfolk and breast-cancer survivors. They're on TV. They're on the hot seat. They legislate, articulate and congregate. Our notables dribble and pass, draw within the lines and work well with others. To them we say: Go ahead and do what you do - we've got our eyes on you.

William N. Lansdowne

San Diego's chief of police since August, Lansdowne faces tough, emotionally charged issues in 2004. On average, eight SDPD officers are leaving the force each month, and they're not replaced due to omnipresent budget cuts. The department hasn't graduated a recruiting class since June, and it's unlikely one will begin soon. "The population and crime are growing, and we need to grow, too," says Lansdowne, who came to San Diego from San Jose, where he racked up community kudos as its top cop. Known as a tough decision-maker and a man who eschews committees, he's respected for his fair, personable manner and support for the beat cop. "He's the right guy for the right time," says one department insider.

Robert Lawrence

He's no stranger to controversy—his dad was Larry Lawrence, the late Hotel del Coronado owner and ambassador to Switzerland whose body was dug up from Arlington Cemetery when it was learned he hadn't really served with the Merchant Marine during World War II. The junior Lawrence, a successful developer and philanthropist who sits on the board of the San Diego Symphony, has done his own pot-stirring. His recent purchase of nearly an entire block in the heart of Mission Hills has critics fearing he'll level it to build high-end condos like his elegant Park Laurel on the Prado at the gateway to Balboa Park. Lawrence hasn't announced his plans, saying only "I'm very passionate about architecture." His many admirers agree, praising his elegant, if pricey, urban development. But his new tenants "don't know what to think," says Martha Garcia, owner of Clipper West in Mission Hills. "We're in limbo."

Jahja Ling

The incoming music director of the San Diego Symphony—he starts in September—is an internationally renowned conductor who was mentored by the late Leonard Bernstein. His selection culminates a two-year search in which the symphony, energized by a \$100 million grant from Qualcomm founder Irwin Jacobs, set out to get one of the biggest and brightest names in classical music circles. Ling, born in Indonesia of Chinese descent, has conducted virtually all of the major symphony orchestras in North America, including the prestigious National Symphony in Washington, D.C. Christoph von Dohnanyi, one of the world's foremost orchestral and opera conductors, calls Ling, his former student, "one of the best-trained conductors in this country."

Jeremiah Lorenz

He's taking San Diego theatrical circles by the proverbial storm, wowing fans and critics with what many say is his remarkable ability to not just go into character but to actually become that character—regardless of how weird or off-the-wall. Last year, 24-year-old Lorenz earned high praise for his portrayal of the lead character, a trashy transsexual, in Cygnet Theatre's production of *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*. The Boston Conservatory of Music alum who cut his acting teeth as a teen at Lamb's Players Theatre is being pegged to go all the way to the Great White Way. "He did *Cabaret* up here, and he was fantastic as the emcee," says David Ellenstein, artistic director of North Coast Repertory Theatre. "He's a talented guy."

John Lynch

Last year, the once-and-again radio mogul bought an AM radio station—the Mighty 1090. He promptly went out and landed deals to air Anaheim's Mighty Ducks, the San Diego Padres and San Diego State University games. "This makes us major players—almost immediately," he says. In 2004, keep both eyes and ears directed at Lynch and company. The Mighty 1090 staff is largely composed of his former XTRA Sports employees—who'll soon find their way around the Padres' new digs at Petco Park. Lynch has hinted he'll try to buy up a couple more local stations. Dynasty time? He says it's unlikely he'll ramp up to the conglomerate that sold 25 stations to Jacor Communications back in 1996.



Mary Lyons

Her first tour of duty in San Diego was in 1972, as a Navy officer. Following a 35-year career in education, Lyons is back in town to serve as president of the University of San Diego. At the top of her plans: to triple the university's endowment to \$350 million. From the "good start" category: \$50 million from the estate of Joan Kroc, earmarked for USD's Institute for Peace and Justice. "USD isn't just a university with a peace and justice institute but a university with a peace and justice mission," says Lyons. From 1990 to 1996, she was president of the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo; from 1996 until last year, she was president of the College of Saint Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota.

Ed Martinez

The CEO of the San Ysidro Health Center has big plans for 2004: raising enough money—\$3 million—to renovate the aging facility and add a new maternal and child health center focusing on emotional, physical and behavioral development. "It's a big problem in the community," says Martinez, a San Diego resident since 1962. "We have children as early as 5 or 6 who have trouble getting along in the classroom, and there's no place to refer them." Martinez, who holds a master's degree in public health from Yale, has been involved in healthcare since 1974, when he entered the field as an intern with the county's alcohol and substance abuse program. Colleagues describe him as smart, determined and compassionate.

Miles McPherson

It's been nearly 20 years since Miles McPherson gave up cocaine and partying to follow a calling from God. Since April 12, 1984, the former Chargers defensive back (1982-85) has helped make it seem cool to go to church. In February 2000, he founded the Rock Church. Five services are held each Sunday on the campus of San Diego State University. The average age of the audience is 28; contemporary music is featured; child-care service is available. As senior pastor/chairman, McPherson also helped create the Rock Academy, a Christian school for kids up to eighth grade. Coming soon: the 200,000-square-foot Rock Church Training Center, at Liberty Station, where the academy and the services will all come under one roof.

Fary Moini

By the time you read this, Moini, a 53-year-old Iranian immigrant, will have flown to Pakistan, crossed the treacherous Khyber Pass by car and arrived in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, to check up on a school she and fellow La Jolla Rotarians are building. It's Moini's third trip abroad to help Afghan refugees, and while she's fully aware of the risks, she maintains it's worth it. "The biggest problem we have in that part of the world is ignorance, and also one of my passions is working with women and children." Besides, she says, "I speak their language, and I think I can blend in." Moini, who came to the United States in 1983, owns two formalwear stores. Last May, she won the Lifetime network's National Hometown Hero Award.

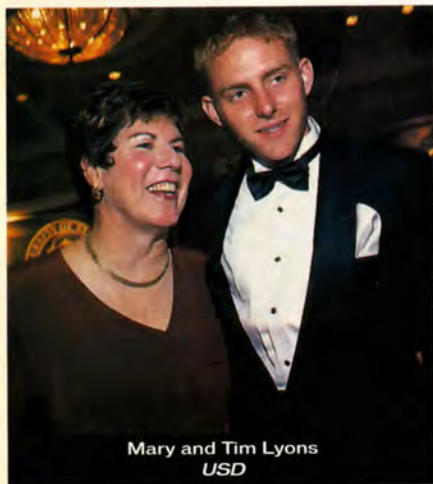
Betsy Mullen

Diagnosed 11 years ago with breast cancer at 33, Mullen was told she only had a short time to live. "That was totally unacceptable," she says. Instead, this prolific fund-raiser dedicated herself to helping women get timely information about the disease, proper treatment and strong emotional support. She's raised more than \$65 million for free treatment to indigent and under-served patients, and helped secure the nation's first fund-raising stamp, the Breast Cancer Research Stamp, which has brought in \$33 million to date. A San Diego resident since 1981, Mullen founded the Women's Information Network Against Breast Cancer, headquartered in the Gaslamp Quarter. The group's focus for 2004, she says, includes bringing "cultural competency" to treatment providers, especially to assist Latinas diagnosed with the disease.

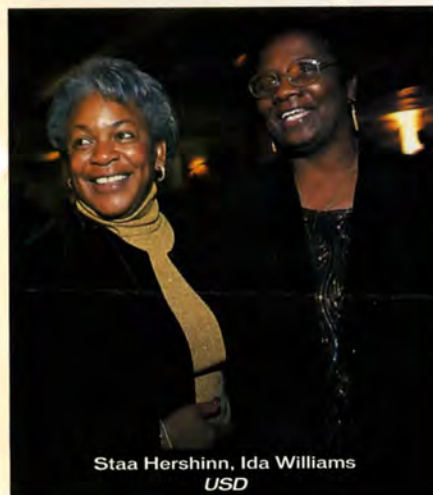


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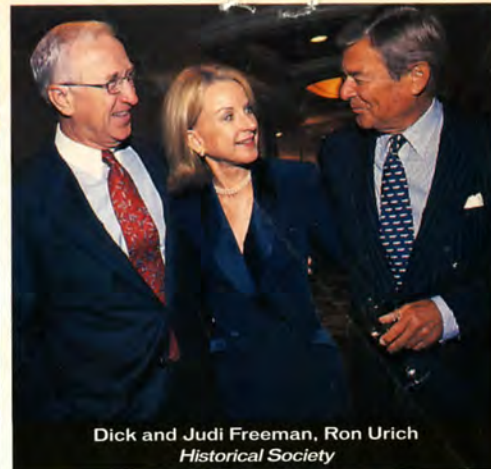
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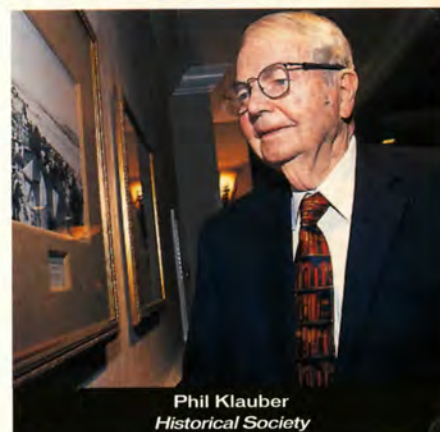
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Emil and Caroline Wohl
Historical Society

HAIL TO THE NEW CHIEF: The conga line was “a big hit.” And everybody stayed late, dancing to Society Beat, “even though they had an early call for Mass and the installation ceremony the next morning,” sighed one guest. Thus did the University of San Diego officially welcome its new president, **Mary Lyons**. The U.S. Grant Hotel—suitably presidential in theme—was the venue for the Inaugural Ball. **Karen** and **Robert Hoehn** chaired the evening and led an honorary committee that included **Maggie** and **Bill Zures**, **Angel** and **Fred Kleinbub**, **Linda** and **Frank Alessio**, **Sandy** and **Chuck Lemoine**, **Kim** and **Marco Alessio**, **Carole** and **Tom Viola**, **Sherrill** and **Bob Baker** and **Iris** and **Paul Engstrand**.

ALL TOGETHER NOW: For the 2003 History Makers’ Awards Dinner, the San Diego Historical Society gathered up a passel of locals to bestow well-earned kudos. The Junior League (celebrating a not-so-junior 75th year in our town) took the society’s Legacy Award, the **Hom** family garnered the Family Heritage Award, the **Evans** family took honors for architecture and historic preservation, and **Pauline des Granges** earned the George W. Marston Award for Civic Leadership. The society itself was marking its very own 75th year with the party in the ballroom of the Manchester Grand Hyatt. And who better to play for a birthday party than the Marine Band San Diego—established, it was noted, in 1921.



Kevin and Coreen Petti
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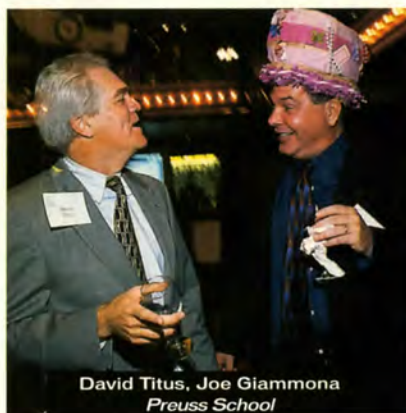
Malin Burnham, John Wadas, Louise Stanger
Historical Society

Classic Cars for Classic Kids

CATCH A BUS: The evening was called Classic Cars for Classic Kids and was held at the Evans Garage, which, with all those antique cars and Edwardian stained glass and vintage motoring bibelots, is a place just oozing the traditional. But as befits the innovative Preuss School, it was an innovative event. Really, think of it. At how many parties can you buy a bus?

This was the inaugural fund-raiser for the Preuss School, which has a unique mandate. It's a public middle and high school dedicated to finding highly motivated kids and giving them an intensive college-prep course. All the students would be the first in their families to graduate from college. Most of them ride city buses (for hours) to get to the campus next to UCSD; thus transportation is high on the needs list. So between the virtual car racing and the hat making and general merriment, chances to sponsor buses were auctioned off. With folks like **Mary and Ron Taylor, Carol Lattimer, Roberta** and Malin Burnham, John Matze, **Richard Stennes** and **Ted and Duane Roth** pitching in, \$225,000 was soon raised.

While chantoozy **Romy Kaye** was offering up jazz, hearty dinner buffets offered fillets of lamb loin and duck breast served in nifty, oversized martini glasses. Well, not every single guest thought they were nifty. "**Michael,**" said **Susan Snow**, indicating her husband, "thinks it's a tragic waste of a martini glass."



David Titus, Joe Giammona
Preuss School



Christopher Khavarian,
Angela Villanueva
Preuss School



Peter Preuss, Mary Lou Aleskie
Preuss School



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Robert Dynes, Marsha Chandler
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COMMUNITY ARTS & LEISURE



University of San Diego professor Ron Shaheen, shown here teaching a music class at USD, will be conducting a series of opera workshops in Carlsbad. *Nancee E. Lewis / Union-Tribune*

Fan of the opera

Lecturer takes
mystery out of
music in free talks

By Marcia Manna
COMMUNITY NEWS WRITER

CARLSBAD — The ultimate Peking ice princess, Turandot loves to stump suitors with a trilogy of riddles. When they can't answer her impossible questions, she orders public executions. Prince Calaf is the only paramour who can stop her bloody reign and warm her heart, but the Chinese princess has no intention of falling into his arms willingly.

Puccini's dramatic characters intrigue opera fans, but novice listeners are often hindered by a foreign language and challenged by poetic references.

What: Ron Shaheen's Opera Lectures

When: 10 a.m. selected Saturdays through the 2004 San Diego Opera season

Where: Schulman Auditorium, 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad

Cost: Free

Information: (760) 602-2026

Ron Shaheen has the remedy. A San Diego State University teacher with a doctorate in historical musicology, Shaheen will offer a free lecture series as part of the San Diego Opera's Education and Outreach program. The presentations are designed to make the classics more understandable and ultimately, more interesting.

Beginning Saturday with "Puccini's Turandot," the lectures coincide with the opening day of each opera staged at the Civic Theatre in San Diego.

For four years, Shaheen has hosted talks at the 221-seat Schulman Auditorium, and he's known to draw a crowd.

"Regardless of which opera it is, you should expose yourself to as much of it as you can before you go see it," Shaheen advised. "The opera has super titles above the stage, so it's all translated for you. And everyone knows what's going to happen beforehand — these operas have been playing for over 100 years.

"But it's not the destination, it's the journey," he said. "It's the way of going to the end that is what is so wonderful about opera."

The excursion has its high points, such as the first-act aria of "Turandot."

"It builds into an incredible crescendo," Shaheen said. "It's so magnificent, with Prince Calaf calling out for Turandot — running up the stairs to ring the gong that signals that he will take the challenge, solve the riddles and win Turandot's hand. It gives me goose bumps."

Bizet's "The Pearl Fishers" is the second opera lecture, on Feb. 14. A Shaheen favorite, Verdi's "Don Carlo," follows on March 27, and a lesser-known production by Leos Janáček, "Káťa Kabanová," will be staged April 17.

"The story goes back to feudal Russia, and Káťa is chained by social repression," Shaheen said.

"Her mother-in-law is a domineering shrew, and her husband is a momma's boy. She falls in love with another man and has an extramarital affair — totally taboo for the culture. She's driven to insanity at the end of the opera and throws herself into the river. The climax is breathtaking."

The final production and lecture, Verdi's "La Traviata," is slated for May 8.

Shaheen enriches the drama of each opera by referencing music, art and history.

"When I do my multimedia presentations, I like to use PowerPoint, so I have pictures of the composer and the sets," he said.

"I use paintings from the period and talk about the cultural context. Plus, I play some of the music from the opera, so they get a sense of that as well."

The lectures, which end in a stimulating question-and-answer session, are known to draw repeat attendees. Shaheen chalks it up to his enthusiasm.

"I don't know if I can say this and still maintain my modest demeanor," he joked.

"To be totally honest, I think it's the most wonderful art form on the planet. I get very excited about it. When I'm given the opportunity to share my knowledge and my love of opera with other people, that's what does it. I think it's contagious."

The San Diego Opera's Education and Outreach program also offers a lecture program with musical scholars Myron Fink at the Scripps Ranch Library, (858) 538-8158, and Nicolas Reveles in Escondido, (760) 746-0036.

For a complete schedule, click on the general education link at www.sdopera.net.

An Iraqi Woman, Times Nine

H Heather Raffo is an Iraqi-American actress and playwright who bears a startling resemblance to Meryl Streep and laughs at the idea herself. "How is it that an Iraqi woman looks like a famous American actress?" she asks.

Next month, Queens Theatre in the Park, this year observing its 10th anniversary, will feature Raffo's new play, "Nine Parts of Desire,"

and Raffo, who lives on Manhattan's Upper East Side, will play all nine of her play's radical Iraqi women.

In an interview at a French bistro in the city a week ago, she said that her Iraqi father left his country in the 1970s to come to New York, where he met and married an American woman.

"He was the only one of his nine siblings who did that," says Raffo, who is in her 30s. "He wanted adventure and traveled around the world."

So has Raffo, who rattles off a world's almanac of countries she has visited before settling in Manhattan, a center for actors and writers the world over.

She grew up in East Lansing, Mich., and graduated in 1992 from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in English literature. She

took her master's in fine arts at the University of San Diego and also studied acting at the Royal Academy of Art in London. She is the very model of a New York woman — bright, opinionated and ambitious with a keen sense of humor.

She keeps in close touch with her relatives in Baghdad. "They are all highly educated; many of them are doctors," she says of the close-knit family whom she has visited on two occasions, once in the 1970s and most recently in 1993, after the first Persian Gulf War, when she spent the summer.

She first performed her play last August at the Traverse Theatre in Edinburgh, Scotland. It later moved to the Bush Theatre in London (yes, she gets

the irony of that), where critics hailed it as one of best five plays in London.

"Why did I write this play?" she asks. "Because Americans tend to lump all the Arabs together, and that is like saying that the women in California are the same as the women who work on farms in Nebraska."

"Iraqi women are strong and can speak for themselves, but they don't have a microphone to talk into," says Raffo.

Of course she has plenty to say about the two wars led by the Americans against Iraq and the 13-year embargo against the country, which she says has shredded the Iraqi sense of self-sufficiency.

"Listen, I am glad that Saddam Hussein has been captured. Whatever bad you say about him, it is tenfold worse than the outside world knows. He is a bad man, and we are better without him."

But she thinks President George W. Bush has stumbled badly after defeating the Iraqi army. Who does she want to be president after the November elections? "Anyone but Bush," she says.

Her play is part of the Queens theater's Immigrant Voices Project. Performances begin Feb. 6 at 8 p.m. and continue through the weekend, resuming with a Feb. 11 matinee before concluding Feb. 14 and 15.

What kind of woman will theatergoers encounter in her play?

"One is a woman who was a communist in the 1950s and was jailed and tortured and now lives outside of Iraq where she works as a sculptor," Raffo says.

"Another is a woman painter who paints female nudes and who is having affairs with several men, including some in the regime at the time."



Heather Raffo

Still another is a woman whose nine children were killed, who herself was injured during the bombing of Baghdad during the first Gulf War.

"Now she lives in a trailer outside the bomb shelter that was bombed," Raffo says. "In that sense she is similar to the women whose families were killed at the World Trade Center and who want to bear testimony to their

loss."

Then there is the female doctor who treats deformed babies in Iraq. "Many of the deformities occurred after the city's infrastructure was so depleted by the bombings and the embargo."

There was seepage from the sewers into the hospital water supply, she says. "Many of the babies born in those hospitals died soon after birth because of contamination and the lack of antibiotics."

But the real disappointment for Iraqis today, more than a half year after the president declared victory, Raffo says, is that the Americans haven't made things better for the country. That includes the Iraqi women. "Women's rights are now faring worse than during Saddam's regime." The fear, she adds, is that if the fundamentalists get power, Iraqi women will be treated badly, as they are in other parts of the Arab world, including Saudi Arabia.

Raffo says acting, not writing, is still her vocation. She has appeared Off-Broadway in "Over the River and Through the Woods" and has worked with a national tour of "Macbeth," playing Lady Macbeth, and in "The Merry Wives of Windsor." She acted in the same play in London, as well as several other Shakespeare plays, including "Hamlet."

And, in a nice touch, Raffo has dedicated her new play to all her family now living in Baghdad. •



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• **THEATER:** SDSU's Theatre of the World Festival of Plays for Children will present a diverse showcase of multicultural plays, musicals, mimes, jugglers, clowns and special activities for kids. 7 to 9 p.m. today; 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. tomorrow. SDSU Department of Theatre, Performing Arts Plaza, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego. \$6 each performance (\$20 for a day pass, or \$15 for SDSU students). A family pass (five or fewer members) is \$50. (619) 594-6884 or theatre.sdsu.edu.

Tomorrow

• **CLASSICAL MUSIC:** The Tokyo String Quartet remains one of the most revered ensembles in chamber music, and it performs works by Mozart, Zemlinsky and Beethoven at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in Mandeville Auditorium, UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla. \$10 and \$30. (858) 534-TIXS or (619) 220-TIXS.

In previews

• **THEATER:** Lamb's Players Theatre tackles the great conundrum of "Hamlet," Shakespeare's most enigmatic tragedy. The ensemble production directed by Lamb's boss, Robert Smyth, is in previews that continue through Jan. 29. The show officially opens at 8 p.m. Jan. 30 and runs every day but Monday through March 7 at Lamb's Players Theatre, 1142 Orange Ave., Coronado. Tickets are \$22 to \$42 at (619) 437-0600.

Ongoing

• **VISUAL ART:** Harry Sternberg would have been 100 this year. He came of age in New York during the 1930s, painting working-class landscapes and people. But he lived in Escondido from 1966 until his death in 2001, remaining prolific as both painter and printmaker. In his last decade, he had two retrospectives at local museums. A new exhibition at the University of San Diego includes his semiautobiographical Tallit Series, depicting Jewish men and boys in prayer and studying the Torah. The show is on view through Feb. 28 in Founders Gallery (Founders Hall) and the Fine Arts Gallery in the Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice. Free. (619) 260-4659.

For complete listings on what to do and who to see in the San Diego area, see Thursday's Night & Day entertainment section and www.uniontrib.com

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UAlbany schedules lectures, theater programs

ALBANY — The University at Albany Department of Theatre has announced several guest appearances for the spring semester: Samuel Buggeln, Mary C. Henderson, Constance Hoffman, Tim Miller, Richard Russell Ramos, Jackie Roberts and Ingrid Sonnichsen.

Roberts' visit at the University in early February will include workshops, a public lecture and a public reading of her modern comedy "Lick o' the Knife." The play pays homage to the blood and thunder of Thomas Kyd's "The Spanish Tragedy."

A professor of drama and literature at the University of San Diego, Roberts is also an actress who has appeared on "The Steve Harvey Show," "The West Wing," and "ER."

Actor and director Buggeln will spend two months at UAlbany to direct the Department's production of David Ives' "All in the Timing" which will run for two weeks in March.

Buggeln's recent shows include the Off-Broadway premiere of "Rum & Vodka" and regional productions of "Sleuth" at Portland Stage Co. and "Play by Play" and "Dirty Blonde" at Hudson's Stage-Works.

Miller, a performance artist, will offer his newest piece, titled "Us," on April 16. His work as a performer and writer explores the artistic, spiritual and political spectrum of being a gay man.

Miller will participate in an informal talk with audience

members immediately following his performance. He will also conduct a workshop with students the following day.



Sonnichsen

On April 27, Henderson will speak at the annual Burian lecture. The lecture, titled "Confessions of a Tony Nominator: Two Decades of New York Theatre" will detail her 12 seasons as a member of the Tony Award committee.

Also on the visiting roster is Ramos, who will be in residence in March to teach a month-long course in musical theater.

Costume designer Hoffman

will conduct workshops and lectures. Sonnichsen, from Carnegie Mellon's Department of Drama, will conduct a workshop in period acting styles and Shakespearean acting techniques with students.

For more information, call 442-3997.

C. Arthur Borg, 77; diplomat,

USD instructor on international politics

By Jack Williams
STAFF WRITER

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The political turmoil of the 1960s tested C. Arthur Borg's unflappable nature as thoroughly as it taxed his diplomatic savvy.

As a U.S. Foreign Service official, he withstood anti-American rallies and diplomatic disdain in Sweden. He mentored ambassadors new to the rigors of international relations. And he became one of former Secretary of State Dean Rusk's closest confidants.



C. Arthur Borg

Throughout the Vietnam War and into the 1980s, a former colleague said, Mr. Borg discharged his varied duties with exemplary aplomb and professionalism.

"He was very cool and controlled in crises, and he was involved in a number of them," said Frank Maestrone, who worked with Mr. Borg in the diplomatic corps.

Mr. Borg, who taught courses in international politics and international law at the University of San Diego after 28 years of government service, died Jan. 4 at Scripps Memorial Hospital-La Jolla. He was 77. The cause of death was heart failure, said his son, Jim Borg of Honolulu.

"Borg was one of our top people," Maestrone said. "He had one of the toughest assignments in foreign service as special assistant to Rusk. He saw everything that went to the secretary and reviewed it. It was a tremendous responsibility."

In 1969, Mr. Borg was based in Stockholm when the Swedish prime minister, Olaf Palme, led an anti-American parade arm in arm with North Vietnam's ambassador.

"Mobs rocked and broke embassy windows," Mr. Borg told *The San Diego Union* in 1987. "And the Swedish police always seemed to show up 30 minutes late. It was a tough summer."

Mr. Borg's restraint and coolness in a volatile political environment led to what was called the Borg tactic: a refusal to be overly concerned with the posturing of lesser powers.

As the Vietnam War began to wind down, the police were more accommodating, Mr. Borg noted.

In 1971, Mr. Borg took part in negotiations under the supervision of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to create the Berlin accords, redefining the role of Western powers in the city.

Mr. Borg's final assignment, from 1981 to 1983, was as deputy chief of mission at the embassy in Helsinki, Finland, where he received the State Department's Superior Honor Award.

After his retirement, he settled in La Jolla and contributed his expertise and perspective to the World Affairs Council of San Diego.

Through the council, Mr. Borg befriended council President Patrick Drinan, now dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of San Diego. With Drinan's encouragement, Mr. Borg began to teach at USD, which he continued to do until the spring of 2001.

"He resonated with students because of his background and keen attention to the world," Drinan said. "He approached issues as a scholar and a practitioner. He was quite the gentleman, with a lot of wisdom and energy, and students respected that."

His USD courses were punctuated by references to international events of the day.

Charles Arthur Borg, known to friends and family as "Buck," was born Dec. 4, 1926, in Brooklyn, N.Y. He attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for a year before entering the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., where he graduated fourth in his class in 1948.

Mr. Borg served in the Korean War as an Army engineer and attained the rank of captain. He later earned a second bachelor's degree at Georgetown University and joined the foreign service in 1955.

His career took him at various times to Austria, Japan, Sweden and Finland.

From 1963 to 1965, on special assignment from the State Department, he taught in the political science department at the U.S. Air Force Academy. "The course I taught got to be

known as 'What are we going to do after we bomb the hell out of Moscow?'" he said in the 1987 *Union* story, reflecting on the militant attitude he encountered among senior cadets.

In 1958, Mr. Borg earned a master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University.

In addition to his son, survivors include his wife, Sara,

daughter, Marion Woodruff of La Jolla; brother, Donn Borg of Rancho Palos Verdes; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Jan. 9 at St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal

Church, La Jolla. Burial is scheduled for 10 a.m. today at the U.S. Military Academy.

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Design competition seeks to bring waterfront into focus

Old police station, Seaport Village are in project area

By Ronald W. Powell
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About 120 architects from across the country converged on San Diego yesterday in a competition seeking the most captivating design for 37 waterfront acres that include the Old Police Headquarters and Seaport Village.

The San Diego Unified Port District, landlord to the state property, is holding the competition. A five-member jury will

whittle the entries to five finalists by Feb. 24 and make its recommendation to the Port Commission May 9.

Architect William Liskamm is coordinating the competition under a contract with the port. He said the contestants should create a signature project for San Diego Bay.

"This property is a node that links the South and North Embarcadero, and connects the city with the bay," Liskamm told the architects before a tour of the site yesterday morning. "You should consider what it looks like from the bay, and what it looks like during the day and at night. We're looking for an icon."

Port officials have drawn a loose framework that the architects are expected to fill in with flair — and an eye toward development costs. A developer will be selected to pay for and build out the architectural design that the Port Commission chooses.

A design that is too expensive for a developer to finance is of no use, Liskamm said.

The five finalists will each receive \$25,000, with the winner receiving an additional \$10,000 and a contract with the port to develop a master plan for the area and design guidelines.

The port calls the project area, at Harbor Drive and the

historic terminus of Pacific Highway, the "Historic Harbor Front Site."

The first phase of the development covers 25 acres and includes the Old Police Station and two vacant parcels. Part of the challenge will be for the architects to design a use for the police station, which has been shuttered since 1987 when the San Diego Police Department relocated to the East Village.

Last month, the Port Commission reaffirmed that a garage, a cell block and a building that once housed the department's training academy should be demolished to make way for a walkway from Harbor

Drive to the bay.

Deleting those structures would reduce the cluster of Spanish Colonial Revival buildings from about 100,000 square feet to 56,000 square feet.

Vonn Marie May, a preservationist who successfully applied in 1998 for the headquarters to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places, said the architects should have the option to produce a design that keeps the headquarters intact.

"By calling for removal of part of the headquarters, the port has already designed about half the project," May said after the tour. "They talk about how they've brought in the best and the brightest, but

they've crimped their style."

The second phase is the 12-acre Seaport Village, which is under lease through 2018, and would be unavailable for development until then.

Members of the jury selected by Liskamm are: Iris Engstrand, a professor of history at the University of San Diego; Richard Esgate, an engineer who lives downtown; Jaquelin Robertson, a partner in a New York architectural firm; Peter G. Rolland, a landscape architect from upstate New York; and John Kriken, an architect with a firm in San Francisco.

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COMMERCIAL

While San Diego's real estate weathered downturn, observers feel prices too high

By THOR KAMBAN BIBERMAN
The Daily Transcript

LINDA VISTA — Real estate investor Warren "Ned" Spieker Jr. warns that tough times may be ahead for the commercial real estate industry.

Spieker, who would transform his Spieker Properties into a multibillion-dollar company in just eight years before selling it two years ago, was among numerous speakers reflecting on the state of San Diego's commercial real estate economy Tuesday at a function sponsored by the University of San Diego Real Estate Institute.

Spieker began his real estate career with one of the industry's legends, Trammell Crow, but said he realized it was time to move out on his own when Crow seemed to stop taking his own advice. Spieker said he has never looked back — even in 2001 when he sold his Menlo Park-based company to Chicago-based **Equity Office Corp.** for \$7.2 billion.

Spieker, who made his own

name in commercial real estate, said while many people are talking about development downtown, he focuses on suburban office projects.

"It's tough to get to downtowns. It's more expensive to build there and it's tougher to park than in suburban office markets," Spieker continued.

While a few at the event predicted a rosy future for commercial real estate, Spieker said the coming months remain uncertain. "It's going to be a treacherous real estate market," he said.

Malcolm O'Donnell of **CarrAmerica** (NYSE: CRE) said the office markets in Southern California and Washington, D.C., are about the only ones in the country that have weathered the downturn to finish as strong as they started.

Spieker said the interest rates that have been at 40-year lows will have to start climbing once more. That could make values drop. "People buying today could be making a mistake," he said.

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As for all the condominium construction that is occurring downtown, Spieker said even though he hears that the units are being filled before the buildings are completed, that San Francisco was experiencing the same phenomenon before the dot-com bust.

Spieker wasn't all gloomy, however.

He said San Diego's diversity should keep it largely ahead of a storm he insists is still very much with us.

While best known for his commercial projects, Spieker has embarked into the senior care business with projects from Northern California to Thousand Oaks to 600-unit La Costa Glen in Carlsbad, offering independent, assisted and skilled nursing.

Looking at the retail side, Stuart Tanz, chairman of Vista-based REIT **Pan Pacific Retail Properties**, said one of the biggest unknowns for his industry is what will happen if and when **Wal-Mart** brings in its supercenters into this community. The huge stores combine a full supermarket and regular Wal-Mart under one roof. San Diego is among cities all over the country debating whether or not these should be allowed.

Tanz also warned that property taxes could become a significant issue for his industry as values rise.

Diversity has been the key for another REIT, Escondido-based **Realty Income Corp.**, which specializes in single-occupant properties from childcare centers to oil change outlets.

Thomas Lewis, RIC chief executive officer, suggested the biggest problem in San Diego, in particular, is finding suitable properties to buy.

Right now, there doesn't

seem to have been much of a slowdown for certain REITs, which would include **Pan Pacific** and **Realty Income**. For example, **Realty Income** recently sold as much as \$200 million worth of bond offerings in a single hour before the markets even opened.

Dan Epstein of **ConAm Properties**, a local apartment broker and landlord, said the state of that market is schizophrenic at best.

Epstein said while San Diego and South Florida are seeing rent growth, the same cannot be said in Colorado, Nevada and much of Texas.

In terms of sales, Epstein said the bidding up of prices in such markets as Washington, D.C., and San Diego "is nothing short of lunacy."

He said investors are buying not particularly good projects in run-down areas for \$125,000 a unit, and fixing them up so they can sell them for \$180,000 per unit.

And people keep buying apartment projects as prices rise.

"We are highly supply constrained," added Charles Fedalen Jr., a **Wells Fargo Bank** (NYSE: WFC) executive vice president.

In such a market, O'Donnell said it is all too easy to pay too much for an asset.

With prices climbing, condominium conversions have become all the rage, but Fedalen warned that those who may have wanted to convert their apartment projects without an existing condo map, may have waited too long.

"It's difficult to take an apartment project through a subdivision map process today," he said.

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Conference Reports Area Market Hot, Bargains Few

Some Investors Pass for Now, Shift Interest Elsewhere

■ BY MANDY JACKSON

San Diego County real estate is performing so well that private investors are competing with local firms and public companies to buy commercial properties.

That means some investors, while still looking to acquire area buildings, are waiting for a shift in the marketplace, according to a panel discussion on Jan. 20 at the University of San Diego Real Estate Institute's Real Estate Conference on the USD campus.

"From our perspective, the shopping center market in San Diego has never been better," said Stuart Tanz, president and CEO of Vista-based **Pan Pacific Retail Properties**, a real estate investment trust.

Consumer spending is on the rise, and new

residential development continues at a rapid pace. Rather than trying to find tenants, the biggest problem at Pan Pacific's local properties is finding space for retailers seeking locations in the county.

Despite low vacancy locally, the REIT may not buy any San Diego County shopping centers any time soon.

Because of low interest rates, Tanz said private investors are able to borrow capital cheaply. That means they can outbid publicly held companies that have to answer to thousands of shareholders, like Pan Pacific.

• Playing The Waiting Game

The higher prices go, the lower the returns, so Pan Pacific is waiting for appreciation to slow or for interest rates to rise high enough to discourage private investors.

Escondido-based **Realty Income Inc.**, another REIT, owns 1,412 single-tenant retail buildings in 48 states. The company's CEO

and vice chairman Tom Lewis, part of the Real Estate Institute panel, said the properties' average capitalization rate is 9.75 percent.

Also known as a cap rate, the figure is determined by dividing annual the net operating income by the purchase price. The number represents the return on a real estate investment — the higher the cap rate, the better the income.

"We like buying in San Diego County, but it's getting harder to do that because of the low cap rates (of 7 percent)," Lewis said.

Bids by aggressive private investors make the local market expensive for a conservative investor like Realty Income.

"As you might expect, we're looking to other markets to buy the same property for a higher cap rate," Lewis said.

During the conference at USD, Dan Epstein, CEO and chairman of the San Diego-based **ConAm Group of Cos.**, said, "San Diego possibly is the best market in the country, but we can't buy anything here."

ConAm, a private company, owns 50,000 apartments in 15 states. It spent \$100 million on local apartments in 2001, and invested \$50 million in 2002. It bought one project in the region in 2003.

Washington, D.C.-based CarrAmerica owns 1 million square feet of office buildings in the county. The REIT is the sole owner of most of the properties in its portfolio, but to afford some of its recent deals in Southern California, it has had to acquire buildings through joint ventures, according to Malcolm O'Donnell, CarrAmerica's managing director for Southern California.

"We have found few properties to buy here," O'Donnell said during the real estate conference.

For REITs that have seen stock prices rise based on the performance of real estate, either stock prices or property prices will need to come down in order for shareholders to continue to see returns, Lewis said.



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Real Estate Conference: The Real Estate Institute at the University of San Diego is putting on its annual Real Estate Conference, focusing on commercial properties, on Jan. 20.

It will run from 7:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the Jenny Craig Pavilion on the USD campus.

The cost is \$195 per person. Call Hung Lee at (619) 260-5976, or e-mail Lee at hungl@san-diego.edu to register.

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Perspective

Look to the pros

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By SANFORD
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The University of San Diego has traveled from a classic religious college to a superb university, with a Real Estate

Institute that will certainly be the equivalent of any in its array of exceptional colleges.

This region is very fortunate to contain several excellent schools of higher education, which is as important a reason for San Diego's future quality as Mother Nature's blessings.

Dr. Mark Riedy, who has directed USD's Institute from the beginning, is the quiet inspiration of its achievement. He has built a professional staff that is

second to none; each is effective and marvelously conscientious.

One ambition that the advisers to the Institute expressed was to make it the center for education in its specialized field, real estate economics and land use.

I remember discussions in which Malin Burnham wished aloud that USD would have the finest research and conference production in the field, not just in the region. Now we are proud to realize that the Institute is achieving that role.

Its annual real estate conference brings together excellent speakers who know their fields and industry. This past week's was no exception. It brought into perspective some of the concerns of analysts and practitioners.

There have been few times, since World War II, when real estate has gone through a more impressive pattern of success. The central core of San Diego has become a significant arena of nationally recognized triumph, possibly the finest and the quickest I have ever witnessed in over five decades of professional observation.

Each direction of growth has been accelerating — not just because of Mother Nature's blessings — but because of the quality of the universities as well as the quality of life.

The major question pursues the answer that only the future knows. There are rising questions of the reality of the national recovery: is it real; will it have longevity; and how will future patterns affect land use and real estate issues?

When an exceptionally knowledgeable person, like Dan Epstein, head of **ConAm Properties**, an apartment broker and landlord, mentions that sales prices in several places are "nothing short of lunacy," it echoes my long-expressed view that there is where the erstwhile bubble happens to be. The "greater fool" is the multitude that believes that the way it is will be the way it will continue to be; seldom is that ever proved correct, as opposed to the opposite taking place.

Stu Tanz of **Pan Pacific Retail Properties** has become a significant force in REIT circles, and not just retail. He is bright and shrewd about where retailing is going. As we experience this era of fast velocity of change in all forms of retailing, and watch the patterns of the auto industry — **Toyota** now number two in the world — long waits for Mini Coopers, Maybachs, Mazdas; plus the incredible **Wal-Mart**, invented by a folksy guy from Arkansas which has altered all real estate sociology; and of course the residue of monies visited upon so

many worthy institutions through the great social actions of the golden arched, Joan Kroc, bless her soul. The lesson in real estate is that each achievement inevitably becomes part of its environs, whether a hamburger shop or a new car lot, or a Silicon Valley; philanthropy is the bi-product of achievement.

We have had too many industries which have failed to keep up with their global competition, lobbying for tariffs to rescue them, and an administration foolish enough to rush to their rescue. This does not save jobs from fleeing to foreign places, for business will pursue its own financial plateaus no matter what social costs are involved.

This is why the environment disintegrates. A local planning group can fight against new housing, while an industry dumps mercury or other toxins, screwing up the future for all of us. There is no balance to our power or our collective values.

Wired magazine explores "the new face of the silicon age" in its February issue. As I read through its imaginative articles, I fed into my mental computer, what this would mean to real estate development and health? I know this, that there will be many more factors creeping into real estate investment decisions.

In "The Paradox of Choice: Why More Is Less," author Barry Schwartz shows that the more choices, the more that people will be disappointed by the choices they make. More choices "increase the sense of having missed opportunities."

That's why it is tough guiding people into choices of investments in real estate; so much has to do with individual feelings and motivations, including geography and difficulty of managing the investment. That's why I always preferred letting Dan Epstein or Stu Tanz decide where the money would be invested, for that is their profession and their exceptional track record.

As the wisdom of exceptional professionals shines the illumination of sage authors and observers gazing into the future, I'll bet on those whose integrity and discipline have been measured in the crucible, called marketplace. Marketplaces are everywhere, urban and suburban, here and overseas. In this era of myriad choice, they just require more patience and effort. Do not allow money to burn a hole in your wallet, otherwise you may well morph into a fool.

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Juan Herrera shined a 21-foot Trophy Pro fishing boat yesterday on the floor of the San Diego Convention Center. *Peggy Peattie / Union-Tribune*

Fair and smooth sailing

16th annual San Diego Boat Show opens today with great expectations

By Michael Kinsman
STAFF WRITER

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Bill Miholich is still smarting from the yacht that was sold out from under him last year. That's why he wrote a check Tuesday for a \$1.1 million 51-footer before the San Diego Boat Show even opened.

"I didn't want that to happen again," said Miholich. "I knew there was another guy who wanted to buy it."

The 16th annual boat show opens today amid buoyant optimism that people are in the mood to buy. If Miholich is any gauge, the boat show

could be in for a busy period during its four-day run through Sunday at the San Diego Convention Center.

A combination of a revving national economy, a stock market that is enjoying its biggest run-up in some time and low interest rates have boat manufacturers and dealers smiling.

"I think it's going to be a very good show," said Barrett Canfield, manager of Southwestern Yacht Sales on Shelter Island, the region's authorized dealer for Beneteau sailboats. "I'm not an economist, but I kind of looked around in October and felt pretty good about the economic climate and decided to place orders for boats this year. Looking at what's

happening now, I'm happy I did."

Dealers of jet skis, kayaks, fishing boats, sailboats, power boats, sport-fishing boats and yachts are anticipating strong interest after last week's New York Boat Show, where attendance was up 14 percent. San Diego Boat Show officials said they expect 30,000 visitors this weekend.

The National Marine Manufacturers Association estimates that 56 percent of people who buy boats have attended a boat show in the past six months.

Although 40 to 50 percent of the 400 boats inside the Convention Cen-

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San Diego Boat Show

Where: San Diego Convention Center & Marriott Marina

When: Today through Sunday

Hours: Today & Friday, noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Admission: \$9 adults, \$4 for children. Under 5, free

Features: 219 dealers and manufacturers

Info: www.sandiegoboatshow.com or (619) 525-6287

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January is when it's most likely that buyers will find the best deals

ter, and the larger ones docked outside at the Marriott Marina, will have "Sold" signs on them by Sunday afternoon, the true impact of the show will unravel for months, said Steve Tadd of Discover Boating, a Chicago company that helps buyers choose boats.

"In San Diego, you have the luxury of test-driving a boat next week that you see at the boat show this week," Tadd said. "If you were in Chicago, you'd have to wait until spring to go for a test drive."

After record years in 1999 and 2000, boat sales nationally were sluggish in 2001 and 2002 because of the faltering economy. Last year, sales did rebound but, with the stock market continuing upward, consumer confidence is gaining more steam.

"It's fairly clear that the economy is on an uptick," said T. Somasundaram, an associate professor of marketing at the University of San Diego. "I think that gives everyone confidence."

Tadd said boats costing less than \$50,000 and more than \$300,000 have continued to sell well, but sales of mid-market boats have stalled the past couple of years. Still, interest rates on luxury boats have remained low, in the neighborhood of 5.5 percent to 6.25 percent, encouraging purchases. As recently as three years ago, interest rates were in the 9 percent range.

"Interest rates can be very important to sales, particularly for boats that are not luxury boats," Somasundaram said. "People find it much easier to buy when interest rates are low."

Some people are refinancing

their homes with low-interest loans and taking some of the money to buy boats, said Tom Gray, president of Boatland, a dealer with locations in San Diego and Escondido.

"They look at it like it's better to take out \$30,000 in equity from their home to buy a boat than to finance it with a loan that is not deductible," he said.

At the same time, higher-end boats that include a galley, bathroom and sleeping quarters can themselves be tax deductible, like a second home.

Yet Somasundaram said the most expensive boats seem to have been relatively unaffected by the slumping stock market or sour economy over the past three years.

"I think we have significant pockets of wealth that allow people to do very well, no matter what the economy is doing," he said. "Those people don't seem to have been slowed down and can afford to buy what they want. You also have to remember that the boat business sells a relatively few . . . units, and doesn't depend on the mass sales of some businesses."

Boatland's sales were up 17 percent last year, with the average sale price at \$33,000, according to Gray.

"All indications are that this will be a big year," he said. "We'll have a better idea after this week."

Because January is a slow time for manufacturers, boat shoppers are often afforded substantial rebates or incentives to order boats now. Gray said buyers this weekend can probably shave 10 to 12 percent off the cost of some boats over what they would pay in May and June.



A crew from Olympic Boat Centers worked yesterday on the floor of the San Diego Convention Center in anticipation of today's opening of the 16th annual San Diego Boat Show. Dealers of various craft including jet skis, kayaks, fishing boats, sailboats, power boats, sport-fishing boats and yachts are anticipating strong interest Peggy Peattie / Union-Tribune

Miholich, who has owned five boats over the past six years, bought his 2004 model 51-foot Riviera cruiser from Ellsworth Marine on Shelter Island. The Australian-made yacht is making its West Coast debut at the boat show and is one of only two that will be available in San Diego this year.

Miholich, owner of the Carlsbad construction rental company El Camino Rental, plans to use the luxury craft for sport fishing in Mexico and off the San Diego coastline.

"I was just down in Cabo San Lucas in my 40-foot Riviera, and it was kind of bumpy a couple of nights on the way back," he said. "I wanted a bigger boat."

While his boat will be on display at the boat show, Miholich will be there measuring and determining what kind of add-ons he'll want.

"It's like being *too* rich," he said. "Your boat is never *too* big."

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Soaring prices, failed Tijuana program set scene for a new kind of Humanity

By Carl Larsen
HOME EDITOR

Habitat for Humanity began its mission here with high purpose, conceived as an organization that would address the pressing housing needs of low-income families in both San Diego and Tijuana.

It was a vision that drew widespread attention and support from San Diego churches, hundreds of volunteers and from Jimmy Carter. The former president is a long-time Habitat backer who led a house-building effort straddling the border in 1990 that saw 100 homes completed in Tijuana and seven in the Encanto neighborhood of San Diego.

But from its impressive start in 1987, the Christian-based organization has scaled back its vision and now focuses exclusively on San Diego County, a move that has left some of the group's founders deeply disappointed. A separate Habitat affiliate operates in Tijuana, reporting to Habitat for Humanity International's Mexico headquarters in Mexico City.

Today, Habitat in San Diego remains focused on building basic new homes for low-income families, but it has come face to face with escalating prices that place San Diego among the nation's most expensive cities for housing.

With only 16 percent of area households able to afford a median-price house, high prices and a lack of available land have caused a much different chapter here to rethink the basic Habitat for Humanity tenet of building single-family houses one at a time.

Leaders of Habitat in San Diego said the need for change was apparent. It was clear that Habitat's average cost of building a home in the United States for approximately \$50,000, using a large supply of donated labor and materials, would not work here.

Urgent housing need

"Every day, it's more critical we become involved in this," said Dan Hapke, a retired corporate attorney

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Habitat San Diego board President Dan Hapke and Cheryl Keenan, executive director, lead the local organization. Proceeds from Habitat's ReStore building materials thrift shop, which reopens Saturday in Mission Valley, is a major source of funding. John Gibbins / Union-Tribune

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Volunteers Kathy Henry (left) and Marilyn Miller took up hammers on a recent Saturday at a 12-unit Habitat work site in Escondido, the faith-based housing group's first multifamily project in San Diego County. The organization is turning its focus toward similar attached-home projects. *John Gastaldo / Union-Tribune*

Leaders said need for change was apparent

who is president of Habitat San Diego's board.

But with 51 homes completed in San Diego County, the organization can't claim that in its 17-year history it had done much to make a dent in the region's lack of affordable housing.

Hapke said Habitat is near the point where all funds raised by the group can be directed exclusively at housing construction and away from operating costs and other overhead, which will be paid for by mortgage payments from Habitat homeowners and proceeds from the group's ReStore building materials store.

There have been internal issues facing the organization as well, from pulling out of Tijuana, where the binational Habitat affiliate had built nearly 280 houses, to running through three executive directors in five years.

Overall, the group appears to have found a new direction, a more entrepreneurial style that calls for establishing relationships among donors of building materials and other supplies and rethinking the type of housing that makes the most sense locally.

Formerly based in Lemon Grove, Habitat on Saturday will hold a grand opening at its new offices and ReStore thrift shop at 10222 San Diego Mission Road in Mission Valley, a brisk walk from Qualcomm Stadium.

In 2003, the group built or started development on a total of 22 houses, the most in San Diego County in a single year.

And, it has stepped from of its normal comfort zone by reaching out to lower-income families left homeless by last fall's wildfires. The organization has announced an effort to build houses on land owned by burned-out families who can meet Habitat's income require-

ments. Applications for that program carry a Feb. 1 deadline.

But it's in Escondido where Habitat's new direction can most readily be seen.

Being built at 620 N. Hickory St. are 12 attached townhomes, San Diego Habitat's first multifamily project. This is the direction many supporters are convinced the organization will have to go in order to effectively address local housing needs.

"The only way to build is to do multifamily and to partner with cities (on obtaining a site)," said Habitat executive director Cheryl Keenan. "The land costs are too prohibitive."

Sometimes, however, the organization gets lucky, as was the case in another project under way on Van Dyke Avenue in San Diego. There, Habitat obtained land for three single-family houses through a bequest.

Proponents of so-called infill housing — the concept of building on lots within already established urban areas — couldn't point to a better location than the Hickory "build," Hapke said. The project is a block away from Washington Street, a major public-transit corridor with many retailers, and is close to a public elementary school and across the street from a Head Start center.

Long-term commitment

Scheduled for completion late this year, the \$1.6 million project is being built on land given to Habitat through a forgivable loan from the city of Escondido that assures the houses will remain affordable housing for 45 years, Hapke said.

Affordable housing is a concept that carries a lot of baggage, with visions by some of declining property values. However, when a sign goes up that Habitat is building homes, Keenan said the phone starts ringing with calls from potential home buyers as well as people wanting to help build.

"Part of the Habitat mission is to create a community," she said. "We're sensitive to the fact we don't want to create a blighted piece of property 10

years from now."

Habitat homeowners must show they can meet monthly mortgage payments through steady jobs. They are selected based on their need for improved housing and desire to partner with Habitat. Although a "house blessing" is conducted after families move into a Habitat home, religion plays no part in the family selection process, said Keenan.

For its houses, Habitat pays to local governments permitting costs and other fees, a major expense. Each of the houses carries a sponsorship. In the case of the Hickory Street project, sponsorship costs for each home amount to \$85,000. That sum is then leveraged by donations of materials and volunteer help.

Contributing to the project, which still is in need of sponsors, are Centex Homes' San Diego division, which has underwritten six of the 12 units, and two national mortgage groups, the Mortgage Bankers Association and Women's Mortgage Industry Network. Centex has a national \$5 million commitment to Habitat that includes building materials and donated labor.

Other sponsors include a coalition of local churches that

has partnered to cover the cost for one house, to be called the House of Faith, and the St. James-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church of La Jolla.

Dixieline Lumber has contributed building materials, the Parker Foundation has awarded the project a \$25,000 grant and local Rotary Clubs are working toward sponsorship of one house.

The three- and four-bedroom houses (1,250 and 1,480 square feet) are constructed through the most well-known of Habitat's programs — from the required "sweat equity" of homeowners and the goodwill of volunteers drawn from churches and other groups, including businesses who use the Habitat construction experience as a team-building exercise for their employees.

"We have a waiting list of 2,000 people wanting to build homes," said Kim Cruz, Habitat's development director. "It's a good problem to have."

Pre-selected by a rigorous screening effort, the families must be able to pay back a zero-interest, 20-year mortgage that is carried by Habitat. And, in lieu of a down payment, they are required to put in 250 hours of work if the family is headed by a single parent and 500 hours for two-parent households. It's not unusual to see friends of the homeowners pick up hammers to earn work credit for a Habitat family.

At Hickory Street, gross income criteria for homeowners ranges from a minimum of \$22,500 annually for a family of three to a maximum of \$42,100 for a family of eight.

One of the key people at the site, and one of the few who is a continuing presence through all phases of construction, is Joe Carton, a Habitat construction superintendent. "My task is to keep everyone busy," he said on a recent Saturday as a group from First Congregational Church of Escondido worked with homeowner families.

Carton said he left the construction trades to work for Habitat as a "calling."

But on this Saturday, Carton's calling was of a more practical

kind as he scurried around the site responding to shouts from volunteers to show where studs needed to be nailed or where to cut a sheet of plywood.

"It's not the most efficient way to build," said volunteer Steve Kirby, a member of the Escondido church. "That's not what it's all about. Today I met three people (from our group) that I never would have met on Sunday."

A binational vision

In its early years, Habitat's program here was almost exclusively focused on Mexico, which clearly had a housing crisis more dire than that in San Diego, recalled Dennis Briscoe, a University of San Diego business professor who was a founder of Habitat in San Diego.

The effort to create a binational partnership working across the border — sort of a "doctors without borders" group dealing with housing needs — was a failure that remains a bitter memory for Briscoe and others among the group's founders.

"For me, it's the major disappointment in my life," said Briscoe, who remains a supporter of the local group.

He said the binational effort, which included directors from both sides of the border and translated board sessions and bilingual newsletters, failed because of cultural problems, and perhaps because of inflated expectations.

Briscoe said that in the end, the Habitat model of grassroots operation and volunteerism could not be maintained in Tijuana.

From the perspective of the parent Habitat for Humanity International, the cross-border effort may have been doomed from the start by growing national aspirations within Mexico, which today has Habitat's biggest presence outside the United States.

"For close to 12 years, there has been a concerted effort on behalf of Habitat to nationalize the programs (outside the United States)," said Torre Nelson, vice president for Habitat for Humanity International's Latin American and Caribbean division, based in Costa Rica.

"We generally felt leadership locally was more effective to meet the needs for the people in the country. There are legal, cultural and funding issues. It's better to address those things with local leadership, better than with foreigners, even those who may be nearby."

Still, Briscoe said San Diego was ideally positioned with Tijuana to create a binational organization to focus on housing needs.

"This was a personal ambition. I teach international business, and it's like all the things I teach don't always work," he said from his home in Colorado.

One of Habitat's earliest supporters was the First United Methodist Church in Mission Valley, led by senior minister the Rev. Mark Trotter, who is now retired.

Trotter recalled helping to get Habitat up and running in the late '80s and the achievements of the Jimmy Carter project, which required a year of preparation. Carter will return to Mexico for Habitat this fall to lead a home-building effort in Veracruz and Puebla.

Trotter and others said building houses in Tijuana proved to be much easier than doing so in the United States, particularly because of the high permitting fees and limited land in San Diego County. Habitat's Hapke said the cost ratio was six times more expensive per house in the United States than in Mexico.

"Our intent (from the beginning) was to build houses in San Diego," said Briscoe. "But it was much easier to keep working in Mexico. It has taken us nearly 20 years to get to the point of having some amount of land to build on."

At the Hickory construction site, Furaha Muyuku, who came to San Diego from the Congo, pounded nails into the rear wall of her townhome, which she will occupy with her husband, John Kwangaba, and three children.

She looked forward to the move from an apartment in Linda Vista.

"It's going to be a big change," she said.

Single parent Angelica Sandoval also was working on the home she will share with her two daughters.

They will be moving from their Escondido apartment just a few blocks away.

"I won't be used to not calling the landlord when something goes wrong," she said.

Hapke said building the townhome project posed some new problems for Habitat, especially in creating the so-called CC&Rs — codes, covenants and restrictions — the governing document for the homeowner association that will be set up for the multifamily project.

He said he hopes to boost housing production to 22 completed units a year, still not a great number for a region the size of San Diego.

"We're a real estate developer, construction company and run a small social service agency in selecting the families, and then we're a mortgage lender," Hapke said. "Every day, there are more people standing outside the window asking, 'When are you going to help me?'"

Said Trotter: "I think housing the poor is a continuing necessity in any city. The way they go about it respects the dignity and humanity of the person. They're focused on building houses for the poor. And they do it better than anybody else."

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Grand opening of new offices, ReStore
Saturday, 10 a.m.

Affiliate established
1987

Houses built in San Diego County
51

Houses now in construction

- Escondido: 12 attached townhomes.
- San Diego (City Heights): Three single-family homes.

Houses in development
23

Annual operating budget (2003)
\$1.5 million

Paid staff
14, including ReStore thrift store

Volunteers in 2003
More than 6,000

Web site
www.habitatsdiego.org

SOURCE: Habitat San Diego



Future homeowner Angelica Sandoval joins volunteers building 12 Habitat townhomes in Escondido. She must complete 250 hours of "sweat equity." *John Gastaldo / Union-Tribune photos*

Where the homes are being built

Here are the leading Habitat for Humanity affiliates in the United States, based on new homes completed in fiscal year 2003:

Affiliate chapter

- Jacksonville, Fla. 199
- Collier County, Fla. 112
- Lee County, Fla. 70
- Atlanta 42
- Valdosta-Lowndes County, Ga. 35
- Greater Miami 32
- Knoxville, Tenn. 26
- Nashville area, Tenn. 23
- Canton, Ohio 23
- Memphis, Tenn. 22

SOURCE: Habitat for Humanity International



Taking a critical measurement, Habitat construction superintendent Joe Carton knows all about on-the-job training. His work force is largely composed of volunteers.

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Charities changing the way they do business

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FRONT PAGE

By LAURA MALLGREN
The Daily Transcript

SAN DIEGO — Future leaders of nonprofit groups will need to have strong business management skills in order for the organizations to be successful, according to local experts.

They'll have to run nonprofits like a business.

"Which means they're going to have to be lean in terms of how many people they have on board," said Jerry Sanders, chair of the local chapter of the Red Cross. "I think they're going to have to have a very clear vision and mission for the organization and they're going to have to stick to those."

Sanders, a former San Diego police chief who retired in April 1999 and became the CEO of

United Way of San Diego for three years before going into the private sector, said one of the things he's seen is "mission creep."

"In a nonprofit you're only as good as how much money you can raise because nonprofits don't have revenue coming in; you have donations, you have contracts," he said. "It becomes very attractive to take whatever funding you can find. What happens is you get off mission and pretty soon you're not doing a very good job."

Richard A. Collato, president and CEO of the local chapter of the YMCA, echoed similar sentiments.

"I believe the most successful nonprofit leaders in years to come will be those with entrepreneurial spirit, solid business skills and a

deep sense of mission," he said. "They will be held accountable for results both financial- and mission-related."

Financial pressures will continue to increase with more community needs and limited resources, Collato said.

The R.J. Watkins & Co. Ltd., an executive-recruitment consultant firm, has recruited many leaders for large local nonprofits. It recruited Sanders for United Way of San Diego County, said Tom Murphy, executive vice president and partner at R.J. Watkins & Co.

Sanders didn't have strong fund-raising skills when he started, Murphy said.

"He was brought in because he

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was a fabulous leader and ran a very complex organization with a great deal of success" at the police department, Murphy said. "He learned how to do fund raising."

The consultants push the nonprofit sector to be more committed to and competitive about bringing in people with strong business skills and run it like a for-profit business and pay them accordingly, he said.

These types of leaders create a culture of accountability, goals, objectives, outcomes, and the ability to measure success, Murphy added.

Nonprofits are finding the

nature of giving is changing.

When fund raising in the past, many large nonprofits experienced that people gave in general, Sanders said.

"Now people tell you specifically what they want you to use the money for," he said. "It makes it difficult when you're used to having unallocated funding."

One of the biggest future challenges for nonprofits will be problems caused by their numbers increasing and their services duplicating, he said.

Nonprofits will have to build coalitions, look at sharing staff and resources, according to Pat Libby, director of University of

San Diego's Nonprofit Leadership and Management Program School of Education.

The graduate program, which started in fall 2002, was designed to train effective nonprofit leaders. "We're trying to teach them how to look at trends," Libby said, "how to do strategic planning that's data-based and research-based."

The program also trains students state-of-the-art managing, marketing and fund-raising skills, she said. All three are equally important for future success for nonprofits.

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The University of San Diego's Nonprofit Management and Leadership Program hosts "Vital Statistics: Taking the Pulse of the Nonprofit Sector" at 3:30 p.m. at University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, 5998 Alcalá Park. A \$25 donation to the USD Nonprofit Scholarship fund is requested. For more information, or reservations, call (619) 260-7442, or e-mail hannahfong@sandiego.edu.



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Nonprofit sector symposium

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Supporters of nonprofit organizations are invited to a community symposium, "Vital Statistics: Taking the Pulse of the Nonprofit Sector," featuring Michael O'Neill on Wednesday in the University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice.

O'Neill is one of the nation's leading thinkers and most prolific authors on nonprofits, according to USD officials. He is the founder and former director of the Institute for Nonprofit Organization Management at the University of San Francisco.

Panelists are Ruth Reidel, CEO of Alliance Healthcare Foundation; Roger Cazares, CEO and president of the MAAC Project; Robert Donmoyer, USD education professor; and Donald Stump, deputy director of the San Diego Youth and Family Services and a USD Nonprofit Leadership and Management instructor.

Reservations are required. A \$25 donation to the USD Nonprofit Scholarship Fund is requested although USD students may attend at no cost. For information call (619) 260-7442.

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Biggest Gifts and Grants of 2003 Tallied

Joan B. Kroc, the widow of the McDonald's founder, tops *The Chronicle of Philanthropy's* list of the biggest donations by individuals announced in 2003. Ms. Kroc, who died in October, left \$200-million to National Public Radio, in Washington.

Ms. Kroc also made several other donations that we among the largest single gifts unveiled in 2003. She donated \$60-million to Ronald McDonald House Charities, which helps seriously ill children and their families, and gave \$50-million apiece to the University of Notre Dame and the University of San Diego for peace studies.

No. 2 on the list were Irwin and Joan Jacobs, who pledged \$110-million to the University of California-San Diego's Engineering School. Mr. Jacobs is president of the Qualcomm telecommunications company in San Diego.

The size of the gifts on *The Chronicle's* list shows the continuing effects on charities of the economic turmoil of recent years. The \$200-million donation was smaller than any of the other gifts that have topped *The Chronicle's* rankings of biggest gifts since it started its list in 1998. The top donation made in that time was the \$16-billion that Bill and Melinda Gates made to their foundation, in three installments, in 1999. In 2000, the Gateses donated \$5-billion to their foundation, and Gordon Moore, chairman of Intel, and his wife, Betty, pledged \$5-billion to their philanthropy.

On *The Chronicle's* list of the biggest grants made by foundations and corporations in 2003, the Gates Foundation dominated the top rankings with 10 grants of \$30-million or more. The largest grant announced last year was the Gateses' grant of \$200-million for research on deadly diseases in developing countries.

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So here we are reading the newspaper to educate ourselves, to cheer our favorite politician, boo the other guys and postpone desk duty with holiday bills and income tax directions resembling English. You know the monthly routine, divvy the pay among the obligations — the mortgage, electricity, exterminator, priceless Visa card, the math tutor, auto and house insurance, plus repairs on the car, the roof, your teeth, and maybe, if there's money left, some food. Somehow the sum of monthly obligations always exceeds the paycheck. Can we blame that too on El Niño or the federal government?

And over there, according to a front-page Times story the other day, are the desk-bound executors of Joan B. Kroc's estate doling out a few million here, a few there and many millions over there. Mrs. Kroc, widow of Ray, founder of the McDonald's hamburger chain, died of brain cancer last October.

Since then, it's now been revealed, the daughter of a Minneapolis railroad worker has super-sized the notion of philanthropy to become one of the nation's all-time donors. She gave \$1 million to San Diego's Children's Hospital, \$5 million for a new Chula Vista school, \$10 million to San Diego's Opera, \$20 million to the San Diego Hospice, \$50 million to a peace institute at the University of San Diego, \$50 million for additional peace at the University of Notre Dame, which wasn't at war, and \$200 million to Na-

tional Public Radio. Anything to end those on-air fundraisers every other week.

Now word that Mrs. Kroc has given \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army for 30 massive community centers across the country. That's one-and-a-half-billion dollars, as in billions of burgers sold. That's more money even than annoying lottery winners get in those poster-sized checks. Were we really paying that much more than those cheap McD burgers actually cost?

One-thousand-five-hundred-million dollars. Checkbooks can't hold that many zeroes. It's hard to picture 1.5 billion anything, let alone imagine it as money. And then giving it away. Enough to buy a mountain range of Happy Meals, hold the cynicism. One-point-five billion is one dollar for every human in China plus about seven Canadas and one Chicago. Laid end to end, 1.5 billion dollar bills would wrap around the Earth five times, with 17,000 miles of money left over. Except some bills might be gone by the time you came back around the equator.

There's nothing Mc about that Jupiter-sized generosity. Mrs. Kroc and her savvy husband may also be remembered as the Salvation Army's salvation, the 21st century Andrew and Andrea Carnegies of community centers. Ray Kroc began as a salesman in California, of milkshake makers. His arching vision created a national fast-food industry. Now, in death, the kindly Krocs have reconfigured the scale of charitable giving. Thank you for coming. Next in line, please?

Hamburger heiress was

determined in philanthropy

\$1.5 billion gift to Salvation Army result of planning

By TONY PERRY
Los Angeles Times

SAN DIEGO — Long before her death, Joan Kroc had begun building her legacy.

Five years ago, her representatives approached the Salvation Army with an idea for erecting a community center in a rundown neighborhood here. Officials from the group penciled out several rough budgets.

Kroc, who died in October at age 75, rejected them all.

"Think big," she exhorted, "bigger than you've ever thought before."

Two weeks ago, the world discovered just how big Kroc had been thinking. Her estate announced a bequest of more than \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army — one of the largest charitable gifts in the nation's history — to build 25 to 30 community centers across the United States to transform blighted neighborhoods.

The huge gift grew out of a long process in which Kroc tested the army, seeing whether the 140-year-old organization could expand its vision to match hers.

"She wanted to ensure that we could address the needs of the whole person, way beyond Christmas kettles and thrift stores," said Maj. Cyndy Foley, now the co-administrator of the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in San Diego's Rolando neighborhood.

What had attracted Kroc to the Salvation Army, friends and close associates say, was its sturdy reputation as a cost-effective organization with a soft spot for needy kids, a nationwide reach and low overhead.

The group had been a favorite of her late husband, Ray Kroc, the billionaire magnate of McDonald's, who had donated freely and posed as a bell-ringer next to the ubiquitous red kettles during Christmas fund-raising drives. The charity would be a good steward of her money, she believed.

But officials of the somewhat dowdy organization were slow to let their imaginations loose. It wasn't easy to prod an institution used to gathering donations from spare change to conceive of a willing benefactor with a fortune of staggering size.

'The pilot project'

Salvation Army officials did not know it when Kroc first approached them, but the Rolando center was only the beginning, the prototype.

"I remember her saying, 'San Diego is the pilot project. If it works here, Maureen, we are going to do it everywhere,'" said former Mayor Maureen O'Connor.

Joan and Ray Kroc had married in 1969 after her divorce from her first husband, a McDonald's franchisee. Ray, a hard-driving, cantankerous entrepreneur, had met her in 1957 while she was playing the piano in a nightclub; he was immediately smitten with her friendly, fun-loving manner.

When he died in 1984 at the age of 82, his widow was thrust into the spotlight, and she never abandoned her husband's belief in philanthropy.

He had formalized his giving with a foundation. She preferred a personal touch, guided by an informal protocol.

"You never asked; you just waited until it was your time," said Blair T. Blum, vice president of the San Diego Hospice. "She never forgot anything you told her." Kroc donated \$18.5 million to build the hospice, and her estate provided \$20 million more after her death.

Wielding influence

Kroc knew how to use the influence of her money. In the mid-1980s, the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego and Msgr. Joseph Carroll, an independent-minded priest, were engaged in a power struggle over his plans to expand the downtown center for the homeless that he directed. Kroc wrote a check for \$3 million but stipulated that only Carroll could make decisions on how it could be spent.

Kroc's philanthropic interests were apparent at her last birthday party, Aug. 27, at her home in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

"She never wanted a fuss made over her," said Dick Starman, a close friend and former McDonald's publicist. Nonetheless, there were gifts — and toasts that lavished her with praise.

Joyce Neu, director of the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at the University of San Diego, gave Kroc a coffee-table book about Africa. Kroc had given to famine relief in Africa and was concerned about finding a way to break the cycle of strife and starvation that seems to bedevil the continent. For that reason, she had donated money to the peace center at the university and a similar program at Notre Dame to allow them to reach abroad for schol-

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Joan Kroc took particular care in how she distributed the huge fortune she inherited from her husband, founder of McDonald's.

ars and students. After her death, each of the institutes received \$50 million.

"She hoped very much that a new generation of leaders might arise who are dedicated to peace," Neu said.

Friends say she was satisfied that she had found the right way to dispense her immense estate.

In the last weeks of her life,

Kroc would occasionally be driven to the Rolando center. Sometimes she would just watch children enjoying the playing fields, swimming pools and outdoor art classes.

The budget for Kroc's first community center had started at a modest \$2 million. But at her urging, the size and cost of the project had grown.

In 1999, the Salvation Army announced what was, at the time, the largest donation in its history, \$92 million from the railroad worker's daughter who had married a fortune and turned it to good works. The goal was to build and operate a 12-acre community center as fine as any in the nation. Included would be the only ice

skating rink among the Salvation Army's 9,000 sites in the United States.

When the center opened in 2002, Kroc had been convinced to make one of her rare public

appearances. The complex, she said, was more than a place for games and classes; it was "a miniature peace center" where children of different backgrounds could meet.

Just weeks after visiting the facility for the final time, to check on the placement of one of her last gifts – a sculpture by artist Henry Moore – Kroc died of brain cancer at home.

Joan Kroc's Estate Gives Salvation Army \$1.5 Billion

FRONT PAGE

The group will use the money to build as many as 30 community centers in poor neighborhoods.

By TONY PERRY
Times Staff Writer

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SAN DIEGO — In one of the largest donations ever to a single charity, the estate of the late philanthropist Joan B. Kroc announced plans Tuesday to donate an estimated \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army to build 25 to 30 community centers in struggling neighborhoods around the nation.

Kroc, widow of McDonald's restaurant magnate Ray Kroc, died of brain cancer Oct. 12 at her home in Rancho Santa Fe. She was 75.

During her lifetime, she stealthily donated hundreds of millions of dollars to programs promoting education, health care, African famine relief, the arts, the pursuit of peace and nuclear nonproliferation.

Following terms of her will, Kroc's estate has given \$200 million to National Public Radio, \$50 million each to peace institutes at Notre Dame University and the University of San Diego, \$20 million to the San Diego Hospice, \$10 million to the San Diego Opera, \$5 million to build a Catholic school in Chula Vista, and \$1 million to San Diego's Children's Hospital.

The roughly \$1.5-billion gift to the Salvation Army would catapult Kroc to the top of an elite group of charitable benefactors, which includes the likes of Bill Gates, Ted Turner, Walter Annenberg and Eli Broad.

Officials at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University said the Kroc bequest appears to be the largest ever given by an individual to a single charity. There have been larger gifts, such as the \$6 billion given by Microsoft Corp. Chairman Gates to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, but those donations were given to foundations for the upkeep of multiple char-

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Kroc Gives \$1.5 Billion to Salvation Army

[Donate, from Page A1] ities and causes.

"Her passion for children and families and her hope for community peace will live on forever through this incredible gift," said Commissioner W. Todd Bassett, national commander of the Salvation Army.

Salvation Army officials said the exact amount of the bequest will not be determined until after the estate is settled, probably later this year. At her death, Kroc's worth was estimated at up to \$1.7 billion.

Although specific locations have not yet been selected, Salvation Army officials said the centers would be spread evenly throughout the organization's four regions in the U.S. With a budget of more than \$2.5 billion, the Salvation Army provides services to more than 42 million people.

"Mrs. Kroc was very specific: She wanted these centers to be in working-class neighborhoods, places where kids might otherwise not have these opportunities," said Maj. George Hood, director of community relations for the Salvation Army.

Former San Diego Mayor Maureen O'Connor, a close friend, said Kroc had a vision that the community centers could help transform neighborhoods, much like libraries funded by steel baron Andrew Carnegie.

Kroc provided \$92 million in the 1990s to the Salvation Army to build and operate a center in a racially diverse blue-collar neighborhood of San Diego. It will serve as a model for the other centers.

The San Diego center was built in the Rolando neighborhood in what had been a nearly abandoned shopping center. City officials say the center, which opened in June 2002, is helping to revitalize the neighborhood by boosting property values and acting as a magnet for new businesses.

The \$1.5-billion bequest is to be spread over several years and split evenly between construction costs and an endowment to help with operating costs. None of the money can be used for existing programs or administrative overhead. A similar arrangement was made for the San Diego center.

The 12-acre center here includes an ice arena, basketball courts, a 50,000-square-foot

Record donation

The estate of Joan B. Kroc, widow of the magnate of McDonald's Corp., is giving the largest gift ever from an individual to a single charity — \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army. Other donations by the Kroc estate in 2003:

National Public Radio	\$200 million
University of Notre Dame's peace studies institute	\$50 million
University of San Diego's peace studies institute	\$50 million
San Diego Hospice	\$20 million
San Diego Opera	\$10 million

Sources: Salvation Army; Chronicle of Philanthropy

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gymnasium, a 600-seat theater, a kitchen, a performing arts center, a worship center, an Internet-based library, and rooms for child-care and nutrition classes. In its first year of operation, more than 420,000 people used the facilities and programs.

Just weeks before her death, Kroc visited the center to inspect a recent gift: a large outdoor sculpture by artist Henry Moore valued at \$2.5 million.

Of her many charities, Kroc had particular fondness for the Salvation Army. She allowed the San Diego center to be named the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center to honor her late husband. Ray Kroc, who died in 1984, was also a benefactor of the Salvation Army and acted as a "bell-ringer" during the Christmas season in the 1950s and '60s.

Maj. Cindy Foley, co-administrator of the center here, said Kroc was elated when she learned that youngsters who had gotten skating instruction at the center were rapidly becoming champions, besting students from more affluent areas.

"She wanted everything to be the best here, to help support the dreams of others," Foley said. "She saw no reason these kids couldn't become Olympic champions."

The daughter of a railroad worker in Minneapolis, Kroc remembered the impact of having

a skating rink in her neighborhood as a child. She specifically asked that a skating rink, built to National Hockey League specifications, be included in the San Diego center.

Philanthropy expert Paul G. Schervish, director of the Social Welfare Research Institute at Boston College, called Kroc an "entrepreneurial philanthropist" who wanted both a personal connection to the charities she chose and to donate enough money to see results.

"Mrs. Kroc chose her charities not just because there was a need," Schervish said, "but because there was a need that got under her skin and into her heart."

Unlike many philanthropists, Kroc did not form a foundation and had no official board of advisors. A small staff works in an unmarked office in San Diego; the address and phone number are closely held secrets. Kroc disdained bureaucracy and paperwork.

"That's why she closed the [Kroc] foundation after Ray died," said Catholic Msgr. Joseph Carroll, director of a downtown homeless program that Kroc supported. "She didn't want to be told what, when and how. That was too much like a job. She thought giving away money should be fun."

Kroc chose her charities by herself, with the help of close friends.

The decision to donate money to the Salvation Army for a community center in San Diego started when she asked O'Connor to give her a driving tour of some of the city's less-prosperous neighborhoods.

There was no official application process to receive money from Kroc. Often the genesis of her donations was a chance



BENEFACTORS: A portrait of Ray and Joan Kroc hangs in the lobby of the Salvation Army youth facility in San Diego. Ray Kroc, who died in 1984, was also a benefactor of the organization.

meeting or a newspaper story about people in need. Her initial contact with the San Diego Hospice project came after she met a woman on a flight to Chicago; the woman was a doctor interested in starting a hospice in San Diego.

The in-flight conversation with Dr. Doris Howell, now director-emeritus of the San Diego Hospice, led to an \$18.5-million donation in 1985 to build a state-of-the-art hospice with a panoramic view of Mission Valley and the Pacific Ocean.

Two characteristics of Kroc's charity were spontaneity and anonymity. When the Red River flooded the upper Midwest in 1997, Kroc flew unannounced to the region and began handing

out checks. In all, she donated \$15 million to flood victims. Her largess might never have been known except for an enterprising newspaper reporter who traced the tail number on her jet.

When the San Diego Chargers traded place-kicker Rolf Benirschke, Kroc was moved by a tearful interview Benirschke gave to local television about being sad to leave San Diego. Benirschke had started "Kicks for Critters," in which people would donate money to the San Diego Zoo for every field goal he kicked.

Kroc called the zoo and pledged \$100,000.

"She said: 'Tell Rolf that's to help wipe away his tears,'" said Chuck Bieler, onetime develop-

ment director at the zoo. "She was an impulsive person, a wonderfully, wonderfully impulsive person."

She donated \$3.3 million to the San Diego Zoo in the 1980s to establish the Tiger River, an exhibit for tigers, birds and reptiles.

She once wrote 64 checks for \$250,000 each to the Ronald McDonald House Program for gravely ill children.

"Her methodology was simple: 'I want to make it happen. I don't want to wait a long time,'" said David Gillig, senior vice president of the Children's Hospital Foundation.

"Joan didn't want to be part of a campaign; she wanted to be the campaign."

Salvation Army gets \$1.5 billion in Kroc will

Community centers to go up across nation

By Jeff McDonald
STAFF WRITER

In a breathtaking demonstration of her storied generosity, McDonald's heiress Joan B. Kroc handed the Salvation Army one of the largest donations ever made — at least \$1.5 billion — with orders to create dozens of community centers like the San Diego landmark that bears her name.



Joan B. Kroc

The eventual size of the gift will not be determined until the estate is formally settled months from now. But the Salvation Army said it could

exceed \$1.5 billion.

The award is the latest and apparently last major donation from the estate of Kroc, who was 75 when she died in her Rancho Santa Fe home Oct. 12. Hundreds of millions of dollars in donations to other causes were already made by her estate, which was valued at about \$2 billion.

The gift was announced yesterday at news conferences in Washington, D.C., and in San Diego, inside the plush theater of the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Rolando. The 12.5-acre cultural and recreational complex, which opened in 2002, was built with a separate, \$92 million Kroc contribution.

"It's a very touching feeling to know people who are not as privileged as many of us are going to benefit from her generosity," said

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As many as 30 centers envisioned

Kroc's daughter, Linda Kliber. "My mother could not stand to see suffering of any kind."

The flush of excitement among Salvation Army officials was tempered by the huge sense of responsibility that comes with the money.

"When I found out about this gift, I almost heard the Lord laugh," said Linda Bond, the Salvation Army's Western territory commissioner, who learned of the donation in a

private meeting over lunch served in Styrofoam boxes. "\$1.5 billion? Where I come from, I didn't think the government had that kind of money."

Each of the charitable organization's four geographic territories will share equal portions of the award. Half of the money will pay to build the centers; the other half will go into endowments to supplement their operating expenses.

It is up to each region to determine where the centers will be developed, and the Salvation Army must raise tens of millions of dollars to help pay the cost of running them.

"It's a monumental challenge to the Salvation Army," said Donald Bell, the organization's Western territory chief secre-

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tary. "We're going to have to think some new thoughts."

It was the most money given to a single charity and the ninth-largest donation to a nonprofit organization, The Associated Press said.

The Christian-based charity provides an array of services to needy families and individuals, among them food, shelter, drug treatment and day care. It gets by on millions of dollars in yearly donations, much of which is collected by bell ringers standing outside shopping centers during the holidays.

"The Salvation Army has a good reputation for keeping their administrative costs very low and bringing out a really high-quality product for their constituents," said Pat Libby, who runs the Nonprofit Leadership & Management Program at the University of San Diego.

"Joan Kroc has been a long-time supporter of spiritually based nonprofit organizations. That was what she was drawn to."

An extremely private person, Kroc shied away from the attention that often accompanies great wealth. She was constantly asked for money from charities of all kinds, but she tended to support those groups and

Joan Kroc's bequests

\$1.5 billion - Salvation Army

\$200 million - National Public Radio

\$60 million - Ronald McDonald House Charities

\$50 million - University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice

\$50 million - University of Notre Dame's Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies

\$20 million - San Diego Hospice

\$10 million - San Diego Opera

\$5 million - KPBS

\$5 million - Catholic Diocese of San Diego for Mater Dei Catholic High School

\$1 million - Children's Hospital

organizations that were education-minded or dedicated to the less fortunate.

Kroc was an accomplished pianist who turned the head of budding hamburger magnate Ray Kroc in the 1950s, then married him years later. Ray Kroc died in 1984, a few

months before his San Diego Padres made their first appearance in the World Series.

Joan Kroc later sold the team and embarked on what became an incredible giving streak. She gave money to schools, shelters, medical researchers and many others. Her gifts were often made anonymously. Several beneficiaries, including the Salvation Army here, had to plead with her to allow them to name facilities in her honor.

During a tour of southeastern San Diego in the late 1990s, Kroc came up with the idea of developing a sprawling community center to serve children, seniors and anyone else.

The Salvation Army broke ground for the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center on University Avenue in 1999, and the complex of swimming pools, computer labs, a gymnasium, an ice arena, a library, music studios and other amenities opened three years later.

"The reality of what the Kroc Center has become to San Diego is beyond my imagination," Kroc said after viewing what her money had created.

The \$1.5 billion is intended to pay for as many as 30 similar centers across the United States. Dick Starmann, a Kroc

family spokesman for 20 years, said Kroc had a special fondness for the Salvation Army.

"She completely trusted their judgment," he said. "In terms of designation, all she said is that (the donation) be split equally within the United States. The criteria and the actual selection is entirely up to them."

In the months since Kroc died, her estate has given \$200 million to National Public Radio, \$50 million each to the University of Notre Dame and the University of San Diego and tens of millions more to other groups.

Starmann said additional bequests would be made in coming weeks but none on the same scale. "It's up to the organizations to release that information," he said.

Bond, the Salvation Army's Western commissioner, emphasized that the donation was startup money and that each site would need support from other donors and the political will of local elected officials.

"She wanted to bring other players to the table," she said. "It's a wonderful challenge."

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DONATION: Money from the late widow of the McDonald's founder will fund community centers.

BY JOE VARGO
THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

Late billionaire philanthropist Joan Kroc, widow of McDonald's Corp. founder Ray Kroc, bequeathed \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army to build a series of community centers across the country modeled on the one opened two years ago in San Diego.

The gift, announced at Salvation Army National Headquarters in Washington, D.C., and at the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in eastern San Diego, is one of the largest ever given to a charitable organization.

"With this gift, Mrs. Kroc will be a friend to the entire country, just as she had been to this neighborhood and the city of San Diego," said Salvation Army Maj. Cindy Foley, who helped create and operate the San Diego center to which Kroc donated \$90 million. The 12-acre center includes a 607-seat performing arts center, computer labs and athletic facilities.

Kroc's \$1.5 billion donation should be able to fund 25 to 30 such centers across the United States. Details about where and when they will be constructed have yet to be worked out, said Maj. George Hood, Salvation Army national spokesman. Sal-

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vation Army administrators will work with regional offices throughout the country to determine the best locations, he said.

Kroc, who died of brain cancer in October at the age of 75, was known for her generosity. She donated \$200 million to National Public Radio and \$50 million apiece to Notre Dame University and the University of San Diego to study ways to bring about world peace.

Tuesday's donation is the ninth largest ever given to a nonprofit organization. The largest is a \$6 billion donation by Microsoft founder Bill Gates to his own foundation.

In the Inland Empire, the Salvation Army operates centers in Cathedral City, Corona, Hemet, Moreno Valley, Riverside, Ontario, Redlands, San Bernardino and Victor Valley.

The donation announced Tuesday won't help the cash-strapped San Bernardino center, which faces a \$230,000 deficit, Maj. Russell Fritz said. Half the endowment will go toward building the centers and half will go into a trust fund, interest from which will be used to support their operations. None of the money can bolster existing Salvation Army programs or administrative costs.

"We won't be seeing any of it," Fritz said. "I would be nice, but it's just not going to happen. We'll get through somehow, though. God will provide."

The San Diego center, which borders the cities of La Mesa and Lemon Grove, offers a wide range of educational, recreational and cultural activities.

Children paint, ice skate, inline skate, learn dance and theater arts, and hear concerts by

professional musicians, including the San Diego Symphony, Foley said. There's also a gym, Head Start daycare center and computer labs, an Olympic-size swimming pool.

The center also provides a venue for professional-caliber artists.

The center is open to anyone. Memberships to use the center are \$18 a month for an adult, \$15 for a child up to age 17 and \$50 for a family of four. Residents living farther away pay slightly more. Residents living within 21/2 miles are eligible for reduced memberships. Scholarships are available for those who cannot pay, said Shelby Gordon, the center's marketing manger.

Two weeks before her death, Kroc came to the San Diego community center to look at a bronze sculpture entitled "Figure in a Shelter" by well-known artist Henry Moore. Tears welled in her eyes as she grabbed Foley's hand and mused about the center's impact.

"She said it went beyond her wildest dreams," Foley said. "It gave me an enormous sense of satisfaction."

Hood said the Salvation Army is thrilled with the donation and "humbled by the trust" Kroc placed in the organization.

"She's given us a wonderful vision and the money to help us carry out that vision," Hood said by phone in an interview from Alexandria, Va.

"It's a very unique opportunity for us to broaden our vision. Now it's up to us to make it happen."

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Salvation Army Gets \$1.5 Billion From the Estate of Kroc Heiress

By SHIRLEY LEUNG

Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

In one of the largest individual charitable gifts ever, the estate of McDonald's heiress Joan B. Kroc is about to drop a one-time cash donation of \$1.5 billion into the Salvation Army kettle.

The Salvation Army announced the donation Tuesday. Mrs. Kroc, widow of Ray Kroc, the milkshake salesman who founded McDonald's Corp. in 1955, died of brain cancer in October at the age of 75. Before her death, she specified that the donation be earmarked to build and operate community centers around the country.

The bequest stipulates that half the money go toward construction of 30 to 35 new centers, which would provide recreational and educational facilities to the public. The other half is supposed to go into an endowment, from which the interest will be used to help offset operating costs.

The eclectic parceling out of the Kroc estate, valued at more than \$2 billion, began last fall. Until now, the biggest publicized gift was a donation of about \$200 million to National Public Radio. Ronald McDonald Houses, the company's charity geared to helping sick children and their families, received \$60 million, and the universities of Notre Dame and San Diego each received \$50 million. The estate has already designated the recipients of all its funds and is in the process of distributing them.

The Salvation Army bequest vaults Mrs. Kroc into a select group of philanthropists. Microsoft Corp. founder Bill Gates and his wife, Melinda, have made multibillion-dollar donations to their namesake foundation, including a single gift of \$5 billion in Microsoft stock in 2000. Media titan Ted Turner pledged \$1 billion to fund United Nations' programs in 1997, and media baron Walter Annenberg donated art valued at \$1 billion to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in 1991.


SUPERSIZING IT

Joan B. Kroc's estate was estimated at over \$2 billion.

Top recipients	In Millions
Salvation Army	\$1,500
National Public Radio	200
Ronald McDonald Houses	60
University of Notre Dame	50
University of San Diego	50
San Diego Hospice	20
San Diego Opera	10

Source: Joan B. Kroc Estate

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The Kroc donation to the Salvation Army is an all-cash, lump-sum gift. As Mrs. Kroc sold many of her McDonald's shares years ago, the donation will have no direct impact on McDonald's stock. Her husband, Ray, left her his estate, with no instructions that she give any portion of it to the Salvation Army. In the past decade, Mrs. Kroc has made smaller donations to the organization.



The vision behind Mrs. Kroc's bequest began to take shape about five years ago when she

approached the Salvation Army with \$92 million and the idea of building a community center in San Diego. She saw it as a potential prototype for many more such facilities. Called the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center, it opened in 2002 and includes a gymnasium, a skateboard park and a performing-arts center.

Mrs. Kroc clearly wished to give the Salvation Army the means to spruce up and expand its facilities. "What she said to the Salvation Army was: 'I don't want it to look like the Salvation Army,' " recalls Dick Starmann, a co-trustee of Mrs. Kroc's estate. "She meant that with affection."

Perhaps best known for its work feeding the homeless and rehabilitating alcoholics and drug abusers, the Salvation Army is an international Christian organization that is part of the evangelical movement. Run by ordained ministers, it was founded in 1865 in London and began its U.S. operations in 1880. It oversees 9,000 centers across the U.S. from its headquarters in Alexandria, Va., serving nearly 43 million people a year with help from about 3.2 million volunteers. It becomes most visible during the Christmas holidays when armies of its bell ringers ask for donations to be dropped in their kettles.

The Krocs' relationship with the Salvation Army dates back to the 1950s when Mr. Kroc was getting his burger empire started. During the Christmas holidays, he drove down Chicago's Michigan Avenue in a station wagon dispensing the Golden Arches' coffee and apple pies to bell ringers. Later, when he moved to San Diego, Mr. Kroc worked as a bell ringer alongside popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher. Mr. Kroc died in 1984. Today McDonald's is the world's largest restaurant chain, with more than 30,000 outlets.

The Salvation Army learned of the donation in the weeks following Mrs. Kroc's death. The money, which could exceed \$1.5 billion, will be divided among the organization's four geographic divisions. Its board of trustees formally accepted the money last week. The funds represent a significant infusion for an organization with a \$2.4 billion operating budget.

"It's an intimidating number when you realize the fiduciary responsibility," says Maj. George Hood, national community relations secretary for the Salvation Army.

However, the organization's fund-raising days are far from over. While the Salvation Army is one of the largest recipients of donor funds in the U.S. -- getting \$1.4 billion in 2002 -- none of Mrs. Kroc's money can support any of the group's existing programs. What's more, Mrs. Kroc designed the gift so that it would force the organization to raise additional money from local communities to support the operating costs of the centers.

"She always hoped whatever she gave, it would provide an impetus for others to give," says Mr. Starmann, the estate co-trustee. "They have a big job ahead of them."

Maj. Hood estimates that the Salvation Army will need to raise an additional \$65 million to \$70 million a year to help cover the costs of running the 30 to 35 planned Ray and Joan Kroc centers. The organization is just beginning to devise a fund-raising strategy.

"What is it we can do on a national level to stimulate giving?" says Maj. Hood. "We don't have a clear answer. We will probably have to launch a national fund-raising campaign that will be done other than during Christmas."

The effect of the gift on the Salvation Army itself remains to be seen. The organization says the first new center probably won't be built for several years as the group gets staffing and fund raising in place.

Mrs. Kroc clearly sought to extend the reach of the charity, much as her husband did with franchising his restaurants. "This is an issue of scale," says Carol O'Brien, a fund-raising consultant in Durham, N.C. "She saw one good work and she saw it could be extended. This is what her husband did."

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\$1.5-billion gift awes Salvation Army

■ Much of the Kroc fast food fortune goes to a nonprofit more accustomed to small blessings.

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The Salvation Army, a charity best known for using bells and kettles to collect spare nickels and dimes at Christmastime, said on Tuesday that Joan Kroc, the wife of the founder of the McDonald's fast food restaurants, had left it roughly \$1.5-billion in her will when she died last fall.

The gift is the largest single donation that anyone in the worlds of philanthropy and fundraising could recall — and more than the Salvation Army received from all sources in 2002 — and it left Commissioner W. Todd Bassett, the Army's national commander, tongue-tied.

"I can't even use the right words," he said with a laugh after he had mistakenly used



Joan B. Kroc, who died last fall and was the widow of McDonald's founder Ray Kroc, was known by fellow residents of San Diego for her quiet generosity.

"million" instead of "billion" several times during an telephone interview. "I struggle with it."

The gift, which was first reported Tuesday by the *Wall Street Journal*, is likely to have a profound impact on the Salvation Army, a no-frills, faith-based organization that provides services ranging from drug rehabilitation and transitional shelter to after-school programs and disaster relief.

The Salvation Army, which promises "soup, soap and salvation," was a favorite of

Supersizing it

Joan B. Kroc's estate was estimated at more than \$2-billion.

Top recipients

Salvation Army	\$1.5-billion
National Public Radio	\$200-million
Ronald McDonald Houses	\$60-million
University of Notre Dame	\$50-million
University of San Diego	\$50-million
San Diego Hospice	\$20-million
San Diego Opera	\$10-million

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Source: Joan B. Kroc Estate

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her husband, Ray Kroc, who died in 1984. He was a bell ringer for the charity in the 1950s and '60s. "He used to bring coffee and hamburgers to kettle workers," Bassett said.

"One of the interesting questions about this is whether it will change public perception of the Salvation Army," said Diana Aviv, president of the Independent Sector, a trade association representing nonprofit organizations. "Will people continue to think of them as part of the crew toiling alongside the Red Cross after Sept. 11 handing out blankets and coffee? Or will perceptions change, enabling them to attract donors who might never have considered giving to them before?"

Aviv noted that when Ted Turner gave \$1-billion to the United Nations, he raised its visibility and gave it credibility among philanthropists that it previously lacked. "Some people thought he was nuts, other people argued that countries — not rich people — should be doing what he was doing," she said. "But some people began to think of it as a place they, too, could give their money."

The gift is a huge vote of confidence in the Salvation Army and its stewardship. The organization is known for keeping tight control of administrative expenses, and Peter Drucker, the management expert,

Salvation Army gets record donation

The estate of Joan B. Kroc, widow of the founder of McDonald's Corp., is giving the largest gift ever to a charity — \$1.5-billion to build and operate Salvation Army community centers across the United States.

About the Salvation Army

Founded in 1865, the international Christian evangelical organization has 9,314 centers, including soup kitchens, rehabilitation centers, thrift stores, community centers, group homes and temporary housing, medical facilities, and disaster assistance.



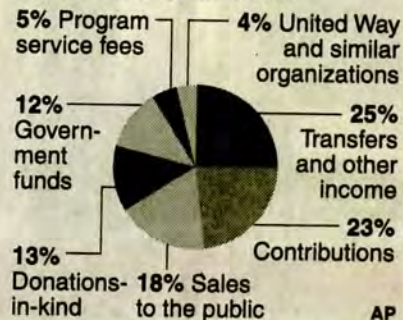
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has long praised it for being well-run and efficient.

Kroc handed it the biggest chunk of her fortune, which is estimated at somewhat more than \$2-billion. "It is really an honor to be trusted like that," Bassett said.

The Salvation Army, however, also had concerns about what effect the gift might have, discussing it with legal counsel for several weeks before it agreed to accept it on the terms that Kroc had spelled out. "We really asked ourselves, 'Are we prepared to accept this gift?'" said Maj. George Hood, national community relations secretary for the charity. "No one, realistically, was ever going to turn it down, but in accepting it, we are also taking on a significant fund-

- People assisted: 42.3-million
- Volunteers: 4.7-million
- Employees: 46,145
- 2002 Income: \$2.5-billion**



raising challenge."

Kroc's orders were that half the gift be divided among the Salvation Army's four territories and spent on building 25 to 30 community centers across the country modeled after one she underwrote in San Diego. Steve Dick, director of development for the Army's Florida division based in Tampa, said it's too early to determine whether any of the new centers would be built in the Tampa Bay area.

The rest of the gift is also to be equally divided among the four territories and held in an endowment, the income from which will pay for staff, maintenance, utilities and other expenses at the centers themselves.

But based on the Salvation Ar-

my's experience running the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in San Diego, that will cover only 40 percent to 50 percent of the total operating costs of the centers, Bassett estimated.

That means the Salvation Army may have to raise as much as \$70-million annually to cover operations when all the centers are built in 10 to 15 years, Hood said.

Additionally, large gifts can be a double-edged sword, discouraging other donors from making contributions because they think the recipient no longer needs their help. "We know there will be additional fundraising pressure because the communities that support us will have to be convinced to continue to support our other efforts," Hood said.

The Salvation Army offers a wide variety of programs and services through more than 9,000 centers. It is run by ordained ministers and has a quiet but strong evangelizing component, which has often placed it at the center of controversies about public funding.

Bassett said Kroc was comfortable with its Christian roots and knew that each center, like the one in San Diego, would have a chapel or a place of worship on the premises. "I have been in her home, and she asked those of us there to sing *The Old Rugged Cross* and *What a Friend We Have In Jesus*," he said. "She fully understood the importance of the spiritual life of a person and knew that was integral to the Salvation Army."

Kroc, who was dubbed St. Joan of the Arches by former San Diego Mayor Maureen O'Connor because of her philanthropy, was a quiet giver. Peter Rowe, a columnist at the *San Diego Union-Tribune*, used newspaper clippings to estimate that she gave away \$639-million, including some \$335-million in gifts after her death (\$200-million of which went to National Public Radio).

"One of the interesting questions about this is whether it will change public perception of the Salvation Army."

— DIANA AVN,

president of the Independent Sector, a trade association representing nonprofit organizations

But Rowe noted that is a very unofficial tally. Dick Starmann, the former McDonald's executive who was her longtime spokesman and is a trustee of her estate, said the first time he ever wrote a press release about Kroc was when she died, and the announcements about her posthumous gifts have all been made by the organizations that have received them.

"She wasn't like, frankly, a lot of other wealthy people," Starmann said. "I don't think her picture has ever been in the society

pages of the *New York Times*. She did what she did very quietly, very purposefully and had a lot of fun doing it."

He said she would put on a babushka and go to the Kroc community center and just sit and watch children swimming in the aquatic center or ice-skating on a rink that is said to be good enough for the National Hockey League. "She saw how it worked and how the Salvation Army handled it tremendously well, and so she was comfortable entrusting them with this gift," Starmann said.

While the Salvation Army already operates 1,400 community centers, the Kroc center, which opened in 2002, is far more ambitious. Kroc financed it with \$92-million, and among its facilities are an indoor skateboard park, a fitness center, a library with Internet access to 8,000 books and 18,000 reference volumes, and soccer, lacrosse and football fields on a 12-acre campus in San Diego.

It charges nominal fees, but any child who cannot afford them can use the facilities for free.

It is state-of-the-art, not a term usually associated with the Salvation Army. "She said she didn't want it to look like the Salvation Army," Starmann said. "She didn't mean it in a demeaning way, but she wanted it to be first-class, the finest facility possible in a neighborhood that faces challenges financial and otherwise."

— Times staff writer Benita D. Newton contributed to this report.

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Donation is no drop in the bucket

McDonald's heiress Kroc's estate gives \$1.5 billion gift to Salvation Army

WASHINGTON (AP) — The charity famous for its red Christmas kettles is getting a record donation from the woman behind the golden arches.

The estate of Joan Kroc, the McDonald's heiress, said Tuesday it is giving an estimated \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army to build community centers across the country.

The Salvation Army, which promises "soup, soap and salvation," was a favorite of her husband, Ray Kroc, who died in 1984. He was a bell-ringer for the charity in the 1950s and '60s. "He used to bring coffee and hamburgers to kettle workers," said W. Todd Bassett, national commander of the organization.

The exact size of the gift won't be known until administration of Kroc's estate is complete, which could take several months.

"We are obviously thrilled, but genuinely humbled by the

Salvation Army gets record donation

The estate of Joan B. Kroc, widow of the founder of McDonald's Corp., is giving the largest gift ever to a charity — \$1.5 billion to build and operate Salvation Army community centers across the United States.

Other Joan B. Kroc estate donations in 2003

National Public Radio	\$200 million
Ronald McDonald House Charities	\$60 million
University of Notre Dame's peace-studies institute	\$50 million
UC San Diego's peace-studies institute	\$50 million

SOURCES: Salvation Army;
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

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exceptional generosity of Joan Kroc," said Bassett. "We recognize the deep sense of trust she has placed into our hands with this gift."

The money will be used to build about 25 to 30 community centers across the country simi-

lar to the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center. That facility opened in San Diego in June 2002 after a \$92 million gift by Kroc to the Salvation Army.

The 12-acre recreation and cultural arts center serves about 6,600 members, who participate in classes such as skating, swimming and gymnastics. The goal, Kroc remarked at the time, was to create a place where youths can reach their full potential and "learn of each other."

Kroc was the widow of Ray Kroc, who founded Oak Brook, Ill.-based McDonald's Corp. in 1955. A noted philanthropist, she gave away hundreds of millions of dollars to promote world peace, education, health care and the arts.

Mrs. Kroc died Oct. 12 and bequeathed \$200 million to National Public Radio and \$50 million apiece to peace institutes at the universities of Notre Dame and San Diego that bear her name. Other organizations and charities also received millions of dollars.

The Salvation Army, which began providing services in 1880, operates about 9,000 centers, including soup kitchens, addiction recovery centers and disaster assistance shelters.

Kroc estate bequeaths \$5 million for new school

By Michael Stetz
STAFF WRITER

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The Catholic Diocese of San Diego is the latest to get the news that has some charitable and nonprofit organizations doing handstands. It has received a \$5 million gift from the Joan Kroc estate, money that is to go toward the building of a high school in Chula Vista.

The diocese is in the midst of an ambitious plan to construct three high schools in San Diego County to meet demand in areas seeing big population gains, so the money is much needed, diocesan officials said. They announced the gift yesterday.

In two of the cases, the new high schools will replace smaller campuses.

"This is wonderful. This will help keep up the momentum," said Steve Marietti, of the diocese's Secondary Education Initiative.

The three schools will cost about \$150 million.

The Kroc money is specifically earmarked for the school that is to be built second, Mater Dei Catholic High School. The school will be on 40 acres at the southwest corner of state Route 125 and Olympic Parkway. No date has been set for the start of construction, Marietta said.

The first school, Cathedral Catholic High School in Carmel Valley, is under construction and will be ready for students by the fall of 2005.

The other proposed school, Pax Christi Catholic High School, is to be built in Ocean-side.

Kroc gave to the diocese because she believed in the worthiness of this particular project, said Dick Starmann, spokesman for the Kroc estate.

Kroc, who lived in Rancho Santa Fe, was the widow of Ray Kroc, one of the founders of the McDonald's fast-food chain. She died in October. Since then, a number of local and national organizations have been the recipients of her philanthropy.

In this case, she wanted to "kick-start" the giving for the schools, Starmann said.

While attendance in Catholic schools has been slipping in some regions, that's not the case in San Diego County. The schools are being built in booming residential areas.

Catholic school enrollment in San Diego and Imperial counties has grown to 17,000 from about 13,000 during the mid-1980s, according to the diocese, which encompasses both counties.

Mater Dei will replace Marian Catholic High School on 18th Street in Imperial Beach and have the capacity to enroll 2,000 students. Marian has an enrollment of about 600. Most of its students are Latino, with 10 percent coming from Baja California.

The diocese doesn't know what will become of the existing property, Marietta said.

Cathedral Catholic High School will replace the University of San Diego High School in Linda Vista.

Kroc was not Catholic and did not belong to any particular religious organization, Starmann said.

Her estate was estimated to be worth \$1.7 billion. Locally, she has bequeathed money to San Diego Hospice, the San Diego Opera, San Diego public broadcasting and the University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice.

Other recipients of her wealth include National Public Radio and the University of Notre Dame's Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

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**Kroc's gifts contrast
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Reading how much good can be accomplished by the Salvation Army with Joan Kroc's generous gift of \$1.5 billion causes one to consider that that amount, as large as it is, is less than one week's spending on the Iraq war.

This \$1.5 billion will fund up to 30 centers nationwide, similar to one Kroc funded here in San Diego's Rolando community, which has provided services for 760,000 people in the year and a half since its completion ("Salvation Army's Kroc center to be nationwide model," News, Jan. 21).

Perhaps it was her awareness of the human and economic drain caused by war that prompted her also to donate \$50 million each to the University of San Diego's Institute for Peace and Justice and Notre Dame's Institute for International Peace Studies.

Kroc must have hoped these two gifts would help us as a society to make better choices in the use of our resources in the future.

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Salvation Army to get record \$1.5 billion gift

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Salvation Army announced Tuesday that it is receiving the largest gift ever given to a charity — a donation likely to exceed \$1.5 billion from the estate of Joan B. Kroc, widow of the founder of McDonald's Corp.

Salvation Army officials say the exact size of the gift won't be known until administration of Kroc's estate is complete, which could take several months.

The gift is for development of community centers across the country, similar to the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center that opened in San Diego in June 2002. The Kroc center offers educational, recreational and cultural arts programs.

"We are obviously thrilled, but genuinely humbled by the exceptional generosity of Joan Kroc," said W. Todd Bassett, national commander of The Salvation Army.

"We recognize the deep sense of trust she has placed in to our hands with this gift," he said. "Mrs. Kroc was a wonderful friend of The Salvation Army and we miss her. Her passion for children and families, and her hope for community peace will live on forever

through this incredible gift."

Kroc's gift is the largest ever to a charitable organization, and ranks ninth overall in terms of gifts to nonprofit organizations. The largest ever was Microsoft Corp. founder Bill Gates' \$6 billion donation to his own group, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Kroc, the widow of McDonald's restaurant founder Ray Kroc, was known for giving away hundreds of millions to promote world peace, education, health care and the arts. She died Oct. 12 and bequeathed \$200 million to National Public Radio and \$50 million apiece to peace institutes at the universities of Notre Dame and San Diego that bear her name. Other organizations and charities received lesser amounts.

Bassett said the donation to his organization specifies that half of the money be for construction of the new centers and the other half be placed in an endowment with the earnings used as income to partially support the centers' operations.

Still, the charity will have to raise an additional \$40 to \$60 million per year to support the centers' entire operating costs.

Nonprofits await dollars from heaven as boomers pass on

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Newhouse News Service

When the philanthropist who inherited the McDonald's fast food fortune left the Salvation Army \$1.5 billion in her will, it was a small part of a massive transfer of wealth that will provide charities an estimated \$6 trillion over the next half-century.

As the World War II generation passes away and the baby boomers begin to die, nonprofits are strategizing to be remembered in carefully planned estates.

"I don't think there's anyone in the nonprofit sector who isn't very much aware that the largest wealth transfer in the history of the world is about to take place," said Marshall Burke, vice president of private support for CARE, the Atlanta-based international poverty fighter.

Forward-looking charities like CARE and the Salvation Army have been positioning themselves for decades to reap dividends when old friends like Joan Kroc depart. Kroc's gift, the largest one-time charitable donation in history, was announced Tuesday.

"I couldn't speak," said George Hood, the Salvation Army's national spokesman, in describing the moment he heard the donation's size. "I said, 'Excuse me, did you say billion?' It was pretty stunning."

Yet not entirely surprising. While the Salvation Army is best known for collecting nickels and dimes in red buckets at Christmas, it foresaw the millions it might raise through wills. Any donor, not just wealthy ones, can contact the Salvation Army and ask for help in planning an estate.

Other charities offer similar services. CARE, for example, also has financial planners eager to show wealthy donors how they can reduce their estate taxes with a gift to CARE. In the fiscal year ending last June, CARE received \$40 million in bequests, including one gift of more than \$28 million.

"Any charity with a fund-raising staff of more than one person is probably doing this," said Michael Nilson, a spokesman for the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

The Boy Scouts of America in Charlotte, N.C., decided three years ago to encourage wealthy donors to include the local council in their wills. So far, 31 have; 13 have disclosed the amounts. Known gifts range from \$20,000 to \$1.25 million, with a total value of \$2.6 million.

The Salvation Army employs a battalion of estate experts to tap into wills. In the charity's western territory alone, 25 representatives travel 13 states, meeting with potential and established donors.

"For more than 20 years, we've been writing wills and estates and legacies," said Hood. "We saw that a long time ago as a source of the cash security we would need. We've done that as well as anybody."

Kroc, widow of McDonald's founder Ray Kroc and former owner of the San Diego Padres, did not meet with Salvation Army estate planners. But the evangelical Christian charity — described by management guru Peter Drucker as "the most effective organization in the United States" — gave her something better than advice, a cause she wholeheartedly trusted.

In the mid-1990s, Kroc presented the Salvation Army an ambitious idea: the creation of a community center extraordinaire in San Diego, which she would partially support with a gift of more than \$80 million.

The center, opened in 2002, includes three swimming pools, a hockey arena, a 600-seat theater and a skateboard park. Before Kroc died of brain cancer Oct. 12, at age 75, she loved to drop by the center unannounced to watch people enjoying her investment. Her will left most of her \$2 billion fortune to build and partially operate as many as 30 similar centers across the country.

"She has set the standard for the rich and famous," said Tim Foley, co-administrator of the San Diego center. "She used to quote her husband as saying 'I've never seen a Brinks truck following a hearse. You can't take it with you.'"

Other charities included in Kroc's will were National Public Radio (\$200 million), peace institutes at Notre Dame University and the University of San Diego (\$50 million each) and the San Diego Hospice (\$20 million).

According to a 1999 analysis by the Social Welfare Research Institute at Boston College, the estimated sum of all American inheritances to be distributed before 2052 is \$41 trillion. Of that, \$6 trillion is projected to go to charities.

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Joan Kroc's greatest legacy is kindness

Anyone who still doubts that women should rule the world need only consider the late Joan Kroc. Her estate just gave \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army, the largest donation ever to a single charity.

It's not that male tycoons don't give lots of money, and with open hearts. The charitable foundation created by Microsoft's Bill Gates, for example, has pledged or donated away an astounding \$23 billion.

But Kroc, Brooke Astor and other ladies who have inherited big piles from the men in their lives seem to have their own special style of giving it away. "Uncomplicated" is how Paul Schervish, a Boston College sociologist and expert on philanthropy, puts it. Also, "straightforward."

"She didn't have a lot of advisers and complex negotiations," Schervish says of Kroc. "She had this sense that once she picked a group she thoroughly trusted, she would let them do it."

Kroc was wife to McDonald's founder Ray Kroc. He died in 1984, leaving her some burger billions. It's fun to imagine Kroc sitting on her verandah near San Diego and listening to NPR. As she takes in the troubled world, she takes out her checkbook.

National Public Radio was itself high on Kroc's gift list. Shortly after her death in October at age 75, Kroc's estate announced a breathtaking \$200 million bequest to NPR. The folks at NPR had no idea this was coming their way. It amounts to nearly twice their annual operating budget. We can only guess at what she tuned in to. "All Things Considered"? "Car Talk"? You wonder how Kroc felt about the NPR interview with the author of "Junk Food Nation," who swore on the air he'd never go into a McDonald's again. She apparently took it in stride.

Born in St. Paul, Minn., Kroc gave \$15 million to the victims of the 1997 floods that had devastated parts of the upper Midwest. She tried to keep the donation anonymous, but a local reporter discovered the source and revealed her name. She also gave \$50 million to the University of San Diego and to Notre Dame, which created the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

Froma Harrop

The ladies seemed not so much interested in making Harvard richer as in transforming their cities.

Philanthropists, says sociologist Schervish, are motivated by the chance to be "world constructing." That means they have enough money to change things in a big way. And the ladies seemed not so much interested in making Harvard richer as in literally transforming their cities.

Brooke Astor's third husband was an heir of John Jacob Astor, the richest man in America when he died in 1848. She ended up with the money and has spent it at home. For her, that's New York City. Astor has given millions to the public library, millions to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, millions to the city's poor.

"I never gave money to any place unless I personally visited it," Astor once said. (Brooke Astor is still with us at age 101 and at this moment wintering in Palm Beach.)

Doris Duke inherited many millions from her father, founder of the American Tobacco Co. The tabloids called her the "Richest Girl in the World."

Duke was not shy about flaunting it at her Newport mansion, but she was also aware of the many derelict Colonial-era buildings in the lesser parts of town. This was the 1960s, when Americans showed meager interest in historic structures that weren't grand. For the next 16 years, Duke paid for and personally managed the restoration of 83 decaying historic buildings.

Duke died in 1993, but the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation lives on, preserving big chunks of America. Just this month, the foundation helped save from development a dramatic 21,000 acre landscape shared by Tennessee and Alabama, once home to Davy Crockett.

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Kroc turned her sights on San Diego. Before her death, she had already paid for the Salvation Army's Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center. The center brought ice skating, literacy programs and music lessons to one of San Diego's dicier neighborhoods. Its presence is breathing some new economic life into the surrounding area. The \$1.5 billion gift requires that similar centers be built elsewhere, and so it has some strings attached. But that's OK. Lots of money is attached to the strings.

Talk about "world constructing."

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Colman Mccarthy: Making headway in teaching peace

Colman Mccarthy

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If it's true that all governments say they want peace and that all human hearts yearn for peace, a question arises: Should schools be teaching ways to create the peaceable and just society?

Earning little notice beyond their campuses, and sometimes even less inside those boundaries, a growing number of schools - at all levels -- are answering yes. The Peace and Justice Studies Association, a national group based at Evergreen State College, Olympia, Wash., reports that as many as 300 undergraduate and graduate programs are in place. Majors, minors and concentrations are offered. In 1970, only one college had a major: Manchester College in Indiana.

In Minnesota, the schools providing peace and justice courses include Augsburg, Gustavus Adolphus, St. Benedict, St. John's and St. Thomas. Citizen groups are also involved, including Growing Communities for Peace in Scandia, Minn. The peace studies movement was energized late last year when Minnesota-born Joan Kroc, who died in October, left \$50 million to programs at Notre Dame and the University of San Diego.

The message is getting through: Unless we teach our children peace, someone else will teach them violence.

Peace teachers have no illusions that a few lessons on the methods of nonviolence and a reading list on the literature of peace will cause governments to start stockpiling plowshares, not swords, or that students will be converting to Franciscan pacifism. Peace education is in its infancy. At the nation's 78,000 grade schools and 31,000 high schools, where meddling politicians are ordering teachers to leave no child untested, academic courses in peace, conflict resolution or mediation are seen as gourmet items on a shelf far from the standard fare of math, science, history and English.

My own involvement began in 1982 when I volunteered to teach a course on nonviolence at an impoverished Washington D.C. high school. Since then, and in classes at four universities (Georgetown, American, Maryland and Catholic) plus two more high schools, I've had about 6,000 students. Some open their minds immediately. They understand Gandhi: "Nonviolence is the weapon of the strong."

Other students, who like to call themselves realists, have doubts: Sure, nonviolence and pacifism are glorious theories and let's all hug each other and burn incense after we read the Utne Reader in our hot tubs, but in the real world there are the street thugs and dictators. Try your one-liners from Gandhi with them.

All I ask of these snappy-talking realists is to tune out the blather of militarism and consider the successes of nonviolence. Since 1986, six brutal or corrupt governments have been driven from power -- not by violence but by organized nonviolent resistance: in Poland, the Philippines, Chile, South Africa, Yugoslavia and Georgia.

Who would have thought that possible? Yet it happened, bearing out the belief of Martin Luther King Jr. that nonviolence, when effectively organized, is an unstoppable force. If violence, whether fists, guns, bombs or armies were effective, we would have had a peaceful planet eons ago.

Hannah Arendt wrote: "Violence, like all action, changes the world, but the most probable change is to a more violent world."

In the past 25 years, I've visited hundreds of schools to lecture and help organize peace studies programs. Although all schools have different tales about their efforts, most were linked by shared realities:

- Peace studies teachers had to defend themselves against faculty carpers who dismissed the program as intellectually soft, ideology-driven or a ruse for reliving the heady '60s.

- Peace teachers are artful scroungers, whether for office space or funding from already impoverished sociology or philosophy departments.

- Students majoring or minoring in peace studies were forever being asked by brow-furrowing parents, "You actually think you can get a job as a peacemaker?"

- Peace teachers do indeed like their hot tubs and incense, the better to reduce the stress of living under a war-mad U.S. government -- the world's most violent, said King -- that in the past 20 years has sent troops to kill people in Lebanon, Libya, Grenada, Panama, Somalia, Haiti, Afghanistan, Sudan, Yugoslavia, Yemen and Iraq, and is the world's largest arms peddler, and has a military that currently comes to more than \$1 billion a day, or about \$12,000 per second, or 49 percent of every federal tax dollar.

Those are the usual obstacles facing peace educators. No matter. If the path to peace has no obstacles, it probably isn't leading anywhere.

Colman McCarthy, director of the Center for Teaching Peace in Washington, D.C., and former columnist for the Washington Post, is speaking at 7 p.m. Thursday at Augsburg College in Minneapolis and at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Carleton College in Northfield, Minn.

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and help raise money for environmental and conservation charities. As Pat Keough puts it, "We are not apologetic about the price of this book. We set out to target the

top a half-million dollars if the couple sell the book's entire press run. The campaign aims to arrest the alarming demise of the largest seabirds on the continent, albatrosses whose

Antarctica when copies were shipped, as well as a special bookstand (\$1,500 extra) that allows display of the opened book (information through www.keough-art.com).

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"Light up the Party!" an event to provide information about the upcoming **Democratic presidential primary**, 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont St. just north of University Avenue. The program will include films, a question-and-answer session, and music. Information: (619) 222-2120.

"Conflict, Gender and Human Rights: Lessons Learned in the Field," a **lecture presented by Donald K. Steinberg**, director of the Joint Policy Council at the U.S. Department of State, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice at the University of San Diego. The program is part of the Joan B. Kroc Distinguished Lecture Series. Reservations are requested by Monday. Information: (619) 260-4682.

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LOCAL EVENTS

Village Drive). 760-744-7530. Free. (CARLSBAD)

What a Clown! Annual beginning clown classes — covering all facets of clowning — offered by San Diego All-Star Clown Club every Tuesday and Thursday, January 13 through April 1, at Congregation Beth El (8660 Gilman Drive). \$85. 858-450-1533. (LA JOLLA)

Learn to "Write and Sell Your First Book Fast" when author Judy Cullins leads classes on her "fast-forward technique" on Tuesdays, January 13 through March 30, 12:30 to 4 p.m., at La Mesa Senior Center (8450 La Mesa Boulevard). Registration: 619-466-0622. (LA MESA)

Perspectives on Ocean Science, lecture series at Birch Aquarium-Museum continues when Chris Charles examines "Rapid Climate Change," Wednesday, January 14, 7:30 a.m. "Is climate viability affected by the ongoing addition of greenhouse gasses to Earth's atmosphere?" \$8. The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way. 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

"Under a Perfect Sun: Firestorms of Class and Power" presented by co-authors Mike Davis, Kelly Mayhew, Jim Miller in discussion on Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m., at Mira Mesa Library (8405 New Salem Street). Trio is author of *Under the Perfect Sun: The San Diego Tourists Never See*. Free. 619-538-8165. (MIRA MESA)

"Iraq: Should There Be a Long, short-, or no-occupation policy?" Discuss the topic, Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

Floral Designs relating to "Art Alive" at San Diego Museum of Art in May presented by floral designer David Root when Point Loma Garden Club meets, Wednesday, January 14, 10 a.m., at Point Loma Masonic Center (1711 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard). Free. 619-276-0209. (POINT LOMA)

"The Art of Light and Color" presented by painter and author

Susan Sarback, Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Conflict, Gender, and Human Rights: Lessons Learned in the Field" by Ambassador Donald K. Steinberg presented on Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m., at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Steinberg is director of Joint Policy Council at U.S. Department of

State. Free. RSVP required by January 9. 619-260-4236. (LINDA VISTA)

"Ornamental Trees of San Diego" are both the subject of slide-illustrated lecture on Wednesday, January 14, and title of book by horticulturist Steve Brigham and gardener Don Walker. Talk starts at 6 p.m. at San Diego Natural History Museum. Booksigning follows. Free. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Renaissance" discussed by docent Debby Callahan for Insight

San Diego and Tijuana School Students Tackle World Issues

"Preventing Deadly Conflict" is Theme of 7th Annual WorldLink Meeting at USD

More than 600 San Diego and Tijuana high school students will hear from young refugees looking to rebuild their lives and from a top State Department official as they explore how to prevent deadly conflict in the world at the seventh annual WorldLink Youth Town Meeting Wednesday, Jan. 14. The event at the University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice runs from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"These students will be tackling the issues of nation building and conflict resolution that are at the heart of efforts acts of terror and build stable societies in places like Iraq and Afghanistan," said Dee Aker, assistant director, Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice.

The program "Preventing Deadly Conflict: The Inclusion Factor" will explore how including civil society, human rights activists, marginalized groups, and governmental resources can prevent conflict.

Panelists include young refugees from Afghanistan, Uganda, Somalia, the Sudan, and Iraq. The keynote speaker is Ambassador Donald K. Steinberg, director of the Joint Policy Council at the U.S. Department of State. Other panelists are officials with non-profit service organizations and government agencies working in fields of human rights and conflict management. Other groups, including Doctors without Borders, San Diego Youth Services, International Rescue Society, Catholic Relief Services and the Federal Bureau of Investigation will participate in the program.

"WorldLink joins forces with youth organizations, schools, corporations, and adult leaders to allow young people to more fully understand the importance of what happens beyond local borders," said Dee Aker, "The delegates are amazing people, dedicated to improving the world around them."

The conference is presented

free to the delegates. Complete information about the WorldLink conference agenda can be found at <http://www.youthworldlink.org> or by calling (619) 260-7569.

Initiated in 1997 as a youth program of the World Affairs Council of San Diego, WorldLink works to bring students and teachers unique, first hand connections to people in the public eye so they can consider, evaluate and question their ideas. WorldLink moved to USD in 1998. Co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, the annual Youth Town Meeting provides young people with a forum to address global issues.

The University of San Diego is a Catholic institution of higher learning chartered in 1949; the school enrolls nearly 7,000 students and is known for its commitment to teaching, the liberal arts, the formation of values and community service. The establishment of the Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies will bring the University's total number of schools and colleges to six. Other academic divisions include the College of Arts and Sciences and the schools Administration, Education, Law and Nursing and Health Science.

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By Laura Mallgren

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Graduates of the University of San Diego School of Law had one of the highest passing rates of all law schools in the state among first-time takers of the July 2003 California Bar Examination, USD officials announced recently.

USD School of Law's passing rate for first-time takers was 83 percent. The passing rates for the 5,364 first-time applicants who took the exam in July were 63.5 percent overall and 71.5 percent for applicants who attended California law schools approved by the American Bar Association. The USD School of Law had the highest passing rate of all law schools in the San Diego metropolitan area. Source Code: 20040120tjd

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Of the 19 public and private ABA-approved law schools in the state, only three — Stanford Law School, UC Berkeley School of Law, and the UCLA School of Law — had higher passing rates.

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Ross, Dixon & Bell Elects 4 New Partners — All Women

Congratulations to Jodi Cleesattle of **Ross, Dixon & Bell LLP's** San Diego office.

As of Jan. 1, Cleesattle holds the title of partner. The mother of two — Annika, 4, and Josie, 20 months — has worked at the firm for eight years.

According to a recent survey of attorneys across the United States and Canada, eight years is the average time it takes these days for associates to make it to law firm partner. The survey was conducted by the Affiliates, a specialized legal staffing firm that has an office in San Diego.

The average time to jump from associate to partner at Ross, Dixon & Bell is seven years, said Terri Carnahan, the firm's human resources director. Cleesattle's climb took a year longer only because she took a leave of absence a couple of years ago to help with a family business.

She graduated from law school in 1994 and clerked at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia before signing on with Ross, Dixon & Bell. Cleesattle practices insurance coverage litigation and has handled media law cases.

The prestige involved with partnership enticed her, but also something more. Cleesattle wanted more independence and control of her practice.

"It's another level of control," she said.

For decades, the average time until partnership generally was seven years, said Susan Benson, career services director at the University of San Diego School of Law. Now, it seems to be eight to nine years.

And the road to partnership seems a bit different now. A greater number of associates jump from firm to firm and may not stay long enough at the first firm to be made partner, Benson said.

"The notion that the partner track is from entry level at the same firm all the way through has changed dramatically," she said.

Another change: When graduating law students meet with firms looking to hire, only 10 percent to 15 percent of students ask about the length of time to a partnership. However, that was an extremely popular question among students a decade ago, Benson said.

Students today are more concerned with immediate questions, such as lifestyle issues, type of work environment and ability to switch practice areas, Benson said. They're not as concerned about eight or nine years down the road.

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Canada Bank Is Said to Face Legal Action By Regulators

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By RIVA D. ATLAS

Just weeks after paying a big fine for its financial dealings with the Enron Corporation, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce faces imminent regulatory action for providing more than \$1 billion in financing to investors who made illegal mutual fund trades, according to people briefed on the inquiry.

The New York attorney general, Eliot Spitzer, and the Securities and Exchange Commission are considering filing suits within a couple of weeks against Canadian Imperial for arranging these financings, people briefed on the investigation said. The regulators could also file suit against senior executives who were aware of the activity, they said.

Through the financing, the bank helped hedge funds make far bigger bets in mutual fund shares, primarily through the use of derivatives. In some cases, the bank financed trades made after stock trading had closed but at an earlier price, according to those briefed on the investigation. The practice, known as late-day trading, is illegal.

A spokesman for Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce declined to comment on the regulators' inquiry, other than to confirm that the bank was cooperating with the investigation.

Just last month, Canadian Imperial reached an \$80 million settlement with the S.E.C. over financings that it arranged for Enron. Those deals allowed Enron to hide debt and inflate its profits by more than \$1 billion and its operating cash flow by almost \$2 billion, according to the settlement.

In the mutual fund investigation, the activities in question probably produced relatively small profits. The financings being examined by regulators would have yielded just a few million dollars in fees, estimated Frank Partnoy, a law professor at the University of San Diego and a former

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Street trader. "They couldn't possibly have made enough money to have made it worth it," he said.

Other companies under investigation for their role in improper fund trading have also said that their gains from such activities were small. Janus, for example, has said that it will return \$32 million to investors in its funds to compensate them for improper trading.

In the case of Canadian Imperial, the bank may have been eager to bolster its investment bank in the United States, said one person briefed on the investigation. For years a bit player, it made some headway in the 1990's in junk bonds and other spe-

cialized financings.

The bank became involved in the fund financing at the request of a broker at Oppenheimer & Company, which it owned for about five years before selling a majority stake in the firm a year ago, this person said.

The bank has said little since the regulators' interest was disclosed about two and a half weeks ago. But it has quietly stopped financing short-term mutual fund trades by hedge funds, according to a person briefed on the bank's activities. It has also forced out several executives in New York, according to people who know them.

Two traders, Paul Flynn and Jeff Haas, were quietly asked to leave in December, after the bank learned that they had been contacted by reg-

ulators, these people said. Their departures were previously reported by TheStreet.com.

Keith Wellner, a lawyer who sat near the two men on the trading desk and reviewed the financings, has also left, they said. Robert Deutsch, a managing director who supervised the two traders, has since left. "Deutsch sat right next to them," said Michael Lubin, a former trader at the bank, referring to Mr. Flynn and Mr. Haas.

Mr. Deutsch reported to Brian G. Shaw, deputy chairman of CIBC World Markets, the investment banking subsidiary of the bank.

A lawyer representing Mr. Flynn and Mr. Haas, James Walden of O'Melveny & Myers, declined to comment. Mr. Shaw also declined to comment.

Mr. Wellner did not return calls. Mr. Deutsch could not be reached.

Individuals close to the investigation said that lending officers were aware of the trading.

Representatives of the S.E.C. and Mr. Spitzer's office declined to comment.

Canadian Imperial set up accounts that were one-third backed by hedge funds and two-thirds backed by the bank, according to people briefed on the investigation. In return for the capital, the hedge funds agreed to pay a specific interest rate on the bank's capital. This trading, known as a total return swap, allowed the hedge funds to make bigger bets and potentially to generate greater profits on smaller investments.

Once the bank agreed to finance a hedge fund's trades, the hedge fund routed the illegal fund trades through brokerage firms or other third parties, the people said. A number of the trades were processed through **Security Trust**, an intermediary in the processing of mutual fund trades by pension plans.

The inquiry comes after federal regulators shut down Security Trust, which was accused of facilitating hundreds of illegal late trades made by Edward J. Stern, who ran Canary Capital Partners, a hedge fund.

Canadian Imperial would have been aware that its money was being used to make illegal trades, people briefed on the regulators' investigation said, because its senior loan officers monitored the trading. "The credit department of the bank did due diligence," one person said.

The bank financed trades on behalf of Mr. Stern, as well as hedge funds referred by the Oppenheimer

broker, Michael A. Sassano, according to people briefed on the investigation. He was one of Oppenheimer's top brokers, known for generating several million dollars a year in commissions, senior brokers at the firm said.

While Mr. Sassano knew his clients were rapidly trading in and out of funds, it is unclear whether he knew about any after-hours trading, a person close to the investigation said.

Mr. Sassano has been "laying low," a former colleague said. A secretary said that he was out of the country when first contacted. A lawyer for Mr. Sassano, Ira Lee Sorkin, said that "at all times Mr. Sassano acted appropriately." Although Mr. Sassano did refer clients to CIBC, "he had no involvement in determining whether the bank would lend money," Mr. Sorkin said.

An Oppenheimer spokeswoman said the firm and Mr. Sassano were cooperating with the investigation.

The investigation is a setback for the bank's United States ambitions.

"There is no question they have struggled in the U.S.," said Robert Wessel, a stock analyst with National Bank Financial. Canadian Imperial made more than \$1.5 billion as an early equity investor in Global Crossing, the telecommunications company that later filed for bankruptcy protection. But excluding that gain, the bank has sustained meaningful losses in the United States, Mr. Wessel said.

The company has written down hundreds of millions of dollars on loans to American companies including Enron and even Global Crossing, which it profited from in other ways. In September, a jury in Los Angeles County found in favor of a group of investors and reached a \$52 million verdict against the bank for failing to provide complete financial information in a junk bond offering backed by CIBC.

The bank has scaled back its activities in the United States, partly because of adverse market conditions. It has agreed to drop some types of specialized corporate finance for three years as part of its settlement with regulators over Enron, and it is holding fewer corporate loans. The bank sold most of its stake in Oppenheimer a year ago, although it retains a one-third interest.

A spokesman for the bank said its United States investment bank was a critical part of its banking activities, adding that it still has a thousand employees in this country.

N.Y. attorney general teams up with SEC for hedge-fund inquiry

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The New York State attorney general and the Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating whether some large banks financed improper mutual-fund trades by hedge funds.

"To the extent that someone was knowingly providing financing for illegal activities, then they are aiding and abetting those illegal companies," SEC enforcement director Stephen Cutler said. "We're certainly focused on the financing component."

The financings, which involved total return swaps, are reminiscent of the sort of transactions done by bankers on behalf of the Enron Corp. to conceal debt and artificially inflate its earnings, regulators said.

Over the past year, Citigroup Inc., J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., Merrill Lynch & Co. and Canadian Imperial have paid a combined \$468 million to settle SEC allegations that they helped Enron inflate profits and hide debts.

"This is the next big focus of our investigation," said David Brown IV, head of the investor protection bureau under the New York attorney general, Eliot Spitzer, and the point person on its mutual-fund investigation.

Neither Brown nor Cutler would comment on any specific targets of their investigation.

Bank of America Corp., the third-largest U.S. bank, declined to comment about the mutual-fund investigation, beyond saying the Charlotte-based bank announced in October it would no longer do business with hedge funds that engage in mutual-fund "market timing," rapid in-and-out trades that exploit changes in underlying investments.

Regulators are examining whether derivatives trades allowed hedge funds that were engaged in improper fund trading to sharply increase the size of their bets, Brown said.

In some instances, the banks set up accounts that were one-third backed by hedge funds engaged in the improper trading and the remaining two-thirds by the banks themselves, Brown said. In return, the hedge funds agreed to pay a spe-

cific interest rate on the bank's capital.

The hedge funds were essentially betting that they would earn a greater return on their mutual-fund trades than the rate that they had promised the banks. This form of trade is known as a total return swap and allowed the hedge funds to produce far greater profits on smaller investments.

The banks or the hedge funds routed mutual-fund trades by these accounts through brokerage firms or other third parties. Many of the trades were processed after the market had closed but at an earlier price, a process known as late day trading, Brown said.

This form of trading is illegal, regulators have said, because traders could take advantage of information that became available after the close.

For some banks, "this was a major business," Brown said. There is evidence that the banks through their own due diligence had to have known that the hedge funds were engaged in illegal trading, he added.

Many banks provided some form of derivatives financing for hedge funds, said Frank Partnoy, professor of law at the University of San Diego who was a derivatives salesman in the mid-1990s. "Every derivatives desk had good order flow from the timers because of the volume of their trading," he said.

To bring a case against a financial institution in connection with the mutual-fund probe, the regulators would have to prove that the bank knew the loan was being used for illegal trading, securities lawyers said.

"The case wouldn't be impossible, just difficult," said Gregory Nowak, a partner at Pepper Hamilton in Philadelphia who represents hedge funds and mutual funds. "It would have to almost be smoking-gun evidence."

Since Spitzer brought the first mutual-fund trading case in September, more than 20 companies have said they uncovered evidence of improper market-timing trades by employees or favored customers.

Robert Schmidt of Bloomberg News contributed to this report.

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Trades Backed By Big Banks Draw Interest Of Regulators

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By RIVA D. ATLAS

The New York State attorney general and the Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating whether some large banks financed improper mutual fund trades by hedge funds.

The financings being investigated, which involved total return swaps, are reminiscent of the sort of transactions done by bankers on behalf of the Enron Corporation to conceal debt and artificially inflate earnings, regulators said. In both situations, the banks appear to have been "knowingly aiding and abetting a securities violation," said Stephen M. Cutler, director of enforcement at the S.E.C.

David D. Brown IV, head of the Investment Protection Bureau under the New York attorney general, Eliot Spitzer, and the point person on its mutual fund investigation, said, "This is the next big focus of our investigation."

Among the banks whose transactions are being studied are **Bank of America** and the **Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce**, people briefed on the investigation said.

C.I.B.C. reached an \$80 million settlement with the commission last month for its role in setting up vehicles that allowed Enron to hide debt and inflate its profits by more than \$1 billion and its operating cash flows by almost \$2 billion.

Neither Mr. Brown nor Mr. Cutler would comment on any specific subjects of their investigation.

A spokesman for the Canadian bank said it would "not comment on speculation." A spokesman for Bank of America said that

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the bank announced in October that it would no longer do business with hedge funds involved with improper mutual fund trading and that it continued to cooperate with regulators. He declined to comment on the regulators' latest area of interest.

Regulators are examining whether derivatives trades allowed hedge funds that were engaged in improper fund trading to expand greatly the size of their bets, Mr. Brown said.

In some instances, the banks set up accounts that were one-third backed by hedge funds engaged in the improper trading, with the remaining two-thirds backed by the banks themselves, Mr. Brown said.

In return, the hedge funds agreed to pay a specific interest rate on the bank's capital.

The hedge funds were essentially betting that they would earn a greater return on their mutual fund trades than the rate that they had promised the banks. This trading is known as a total return swap and allowed the hedge funds to produce greater profits on smaller investments.

The hedge funds routed mutual fund trades by these accounts through brokerage firms or other third parties. Many trades were processed after the market closed but at an earlier price, a process known as late-day trading, Mr. Brown said. This form of trading is illegal, regulators have said, because traders could take advantage of information

available after the close.

For at least one of the banks being investigated, "this was a major business," Mr. Brown said. There is evidence that the banks, through their own due diligence, knew that the hedge funds were engaged in illegal trading, he added.

C.I.B.C.'s name surfaced in a suit filed in November by the commonwealth of Massachusetts against former brokers and managers of Prudential Securities who regulators say made many improper fund trades. Prudential had trading arrangements with two hedge funds, Head Start and Chronos Asset Management, referred to it by C.I.B.C., the suit said. The bank provided financing for Chronos, the suit said.

Derivatives trades by Bank of America tied to improper fund trading were described in the settlement reached in September between Mr. Spitzer and Canary Capital Partners, a hedge fund managed by Edward J. Stern. The trades described in that complaint relate to another form of derivatives trading, which involved selling a portfolio of securities mimicking the holdings of the mutual fund, which would protect the hedge fund against a loss if the fund's value declined.

But Bank of America may also have arranged total return swaps, according to a person briefed on the bank's activities.

Many banks provided some form of derivatives financing for hedge funds engaged in frequent trading of mutual funds, said Frank Partnoy, professor of law at the University of San Diego who was a derivatives salesman in the mid-1990's. "Every derivatives desk had good order flow" from these sorts of trades.



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Merrill Lynch rebounds from 1994 scandal

By Jim Evans

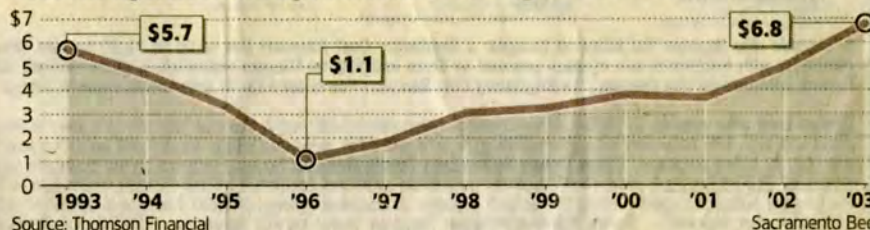
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Merrill Lynch, which fell from favor in California for its central role in Orange County's historic 1994 bankruptcy, has repaired its image in the state and is now a leading competitor for the job of financing California's unprecedented debt.

Today, Merrill Lynch ranks second among the banks selling long-term bonds in California. It assisted with last year's \$11 billion in state borrowing and an earlier deal to help the struggling Los Angeles Unified School District.

The bank's prominent status is a long way from 1996 and 1997, when Merrill Lynch was left out of any major business deals with state government following

Merrill Lynch municipal bond offerings in California (in billions)



the scandals surrounding Orange County's Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection filing. Merrill Lynch eventually paid more than \$450 million in legal settlements for its role in the risky investments that collapsed and cost local taxpayers more than \$1.7 billion.

"We worked very hard to rebuild our relationship with clients and our reputation in California," said Edward Burdett, Merrill Lynch managing director and head of the firm's California municipal finance group. In the last three years, he

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said, "We've doubled the staff and opened a San Francisco office, and we've been fortunate enough to get some major assignments in California."

State officials declined to comment on the performance or reputation of individual banks. But for some who remember the Orange County case - including officials whose municipalities lost money by joining the county's investment pool - the company remains controversial.

"Anybody that deals with Merrill Lynch for municipal finance, I'd say, 'buyers beware,'" said Fairfield City Manager Kevin O'Rourke, who was city manager of Buena Park when the city lost money because of the Orange County bankruptcy.

For others, the sins of Merrill Lynch's past are forgiven.

Merrill Lynch rising

Merrill Lynch fell from favor as a bond underwriter in California following the financial scandal that resulted in Orange County's 1994 bankruptcy filing. Today, as California seeks borrowing to cover a major budget deficit, Merrill Lynch is once again a top competitor for the state's business.

California municipal bond issuers, 2003 (in millions)

California	\$7,868.6
Golden State Tobacco Securities Corp.	\$5,572.3
Los Angeles Unified School District	\$2,739.2
University of California Regents	\$2,012.1
Los Angeles city	\$1,964.9
California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank	\$1,861.2
California Housing Finance Agency	\$1,794.3
California Statewide Commission Development Authority	\$1,699.5
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power	\$1,357.8
Los Angeles County Metro Transit Authority	\$1,093.3
TOTAL	\$57,715.6

California municipal bond underwriters, 2003 (in millions)

Citigroup	\$8,011.2
Merrill Lynch & Co.	\$6,722.5
Morgan Stanley	\$6,250.2
UBS Financial Services Inc.	\$6,115.4
Lehman Brothers	\$5,797.8
Bear, Stearns & Co.	\$5,449.7
Stone & Youngberg	\$3,642.0
Bank of America Securities LLC	\$3,508.4
George K. Baum & Co. Inc.	\$1,527.5
JP Morgan Securities Inc.	\$1,455.6
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	\$1,416.3
TOTAL	\$57,715.6

Source: Thomson Financial

Sacramento Bee

"The animosities are valid, but for me it was, 'When is long enough?'" said Orange County Treasurer John Moorlach, who was a leading critic of the county's investment strategies before the Chapter 9 filing. Moorlach likes Merrill Lynch today, and last year he succeeded in getting Orange County to do business with the bank again - after six years of trying to persuade a reluctant county Board of Supervisors.

Merrill Lynch's re-emergence is coming at a good time for the giant investment bank. In March, voters will decide if the state will sell \$15 billion in bonds that were placed on the March 2 ballot in a budget deal between Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and lawmakers.

It would be the largest non-federal deficit reduction bond in U.S. history. It also would be part of a booming national municipal finance market, spurred on by favorable interest rates and precarious state and local budgets. Since 1993, states and municipalities have doubled the amount in bonds they've issued - to almost \$380 billion last year. In California, cities, counties, districts and state authorities sold almost \$60 billion in bonds last year, which was about 16 percent of the U.S. market.

For the big municipal finance banks, competing in California is a must.

"Merrill's been very aggressive," said George Strickland, who manages municipal bond funds for Thornburg Investment Management. "They know they can't afford to be left out of California."

What's unclear is how much banks get from government entities for underwriting their bond offerings.

Market watchers said bankers' fees in public finance deals are nowhere close to being as lucrative as their take from corporations' initial public offerings or from mergers and acquisitions. California Treasurer Phil Angelides' office declined to reveal the fees state government is paying individual banks without a written Public Records Act request, which has been filed by The Bee.

There are advantages for state and local governments in dealing with a giant bank that is willing to make aggressive deals.

"They're going to be attentive, they're going to work real hard for us - they can't screw up again," Moorlach said. "I'm sitting on \$5 billion. It was too expensive to hold a grudge."

Market observers said the rea-

sons Merrill Lynch has made a quick comeback from a scandal that received global attention are two-fold: The sheer size and customer base of Merrill Lynch, which is one of the top five banks in the United States, allows it to offer competitive interest rates. Also, the bank has been aggressive in pursuing large deals, such as a \$2 billion bond issue last year with the Los Angeles Unified School District.

When Orange County filed for bankruptcy protection, Merrill Lynch was blamed for its role in facilitating and encouraging a risky investment strategy. In 1994, then Orange County Treasurer Robert Citron invested \$20 billion, including \$13 billion in loans from Merrill Lynch, in derivatives - an investment product that's tied to another factor. Citron tied his investments to interest rates, betting they would stay low.

When interest rates rose, the county lost \$1.7 billion of taxpayer money and subsequently filed for bankruptcy protection. The unprecedented controversy fueled a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation, a criminal investigation and a rash of lawsuits against the county and banks associated with the deal, including Merrill Lynch, Citron's primary banker.

While the bank wasn't the only one associated with the scandal, Merrill Lynch played a prominent part. A broker at the bank aggressively marketed the derivatives to Citron, even as it warned that the county's investments carried a high risk. When the dust cleared, the bank settled with Orange County prosecutors for \$30 million, with the SEC for \$2 million and with Orange County for more than \$420 million. Citron eventually pleaded guilty to falsifying records and violating state securities laws and served eight months in a prison work-release program.

The fallout was swift for Merrill Lynch. In 1993, the firm was the lead underwriter on \$5.7 billion worth of long-term California bond offerings. Only three years later, that total would fall to \$1.1 billion. In 1996 and 1997, while Republican Matt Fong was California's treasurer, Merrill

Lynch wasn't among the investment banks that underwrote California general obligation bonds. Fong was unavailable for comment.

Today, Merrill Lynch ranks second behind Citigroup in its share of the \$58 billion worth of long-term bonds sold last year by California cities, counties, special districts and state authorities, according to Thomson Financial.

Burdett, Merrill Lynch's managing director, said the company's bankers and sales force now working in the California municipal finance group have completely changed since 1994 and the firm has been diligent in repairing its image in the state. Burdett himself joined Merrill Lynch only two years ago.

The hard work has paid off. Last year, not only did the company handle a \$2 billion general obligation bond - the largest of the year - it also played a key part in securing the lowest rate possible when California issued \$11 billion in short-term bonds during the budget crisis in June, according to the state Controller's Office.

Government watchers say it's imperative that there be strict oversight of municipal financing and investing activity, partly because there was little reform in government investment policies following the Orange County scandal.

Frank Partnoy, a professor at the University of San Diego School of Law and author of "Infectious Greed: How Deceit and Risk Corrupted the Financial Markets," said banks still offer municipal clients derivative instruments such as interest rate swaps. At times, he said, such investment products can be used for good purposes, such as hedging risk.

The re-emergence of Merrill Lynch in the municipal bond market "shows that investment banks don't stay in the penalty box for too long," Partnoy said. "But the question is, 'Who is monitoring the treasurers?' It's still hard for the voters to know what the treasurers are doing."

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■ **King Day presentation planned**

Scholar and author Roy L. Brooks will speak at Binghamton University in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. 4154

The lecture, which is free and open to the public, will begin at noon Monday in the Mandela Room of the University Union. The lecture, "Martin Luther King's Enduring Legacy," will focus on how King helped solidify the doctrine of formal equal opportunity and, in the process, transformed national policy on race relations.

Brooks, author of numerous books, articles and reviews, teaches at University of San Diego as the Warren Distinguished Professor of Law.

The presentation will also include a screening of King's "I Have a Dream" speech. For information or to pick up free tickets, call 777-4472.

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To Sgt. Mike De Los Santos, it's a no-brainer: Young gang members who commit violent crimes should be tried as adults in court.

"A lot of these young juveniles are gang members who feel like because of their young age, they are not going to be prosecuted as if they are adults," said De Los Santos, who works in the gang unit of the Ventura County, Calif., Sheriff's Department.

Marc Schindler argues that treating juvenile offenders like adults isn't the answer.

"If we really were serious about preventing young people from going into gangs and intervening in their lives in a positive way, we would invest in the types of programs we know work for young people," said Schindler, staff attorney for the Youth Law Center in Washington. "We would provide mentoring. We would provide jobs. We would provide better educational opportunities."

The age-old question - what do you do with a kid in trouble with the law? - is at the heart of a debate over legislation in Congress that takes a get-tough approach to gangs and gang activity.

The bill, filed by Sens. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, would authorize \$450 million over the next five years to assist federal, state and local law-enforcement efforts against violent gangs and another \$200 million to fund intervention and prevention programs for at-risk youth.

The measure also increases the penalties for the most serious gang crimes, makes it easier to transfer juveniles from state courts to federal courts and makes it a federal crime to recruit people to join a criminal street gang.

Feinstein and other supporters say the federal legislation - known as the Gang Prevention and Effective Deterrence Act - would better equip prosecutors and law-enforcement agencies to fight gang violence.

The legislation has the backing of several law-enforcement groups, including the California District Attorneys Association, the National Association of Police Organizations and the National Major Gang Task Force, a consortium of correctional and law-enforcement agencies specializing in gang activity.

Youth advocacy groups and civil-rights organizations oppose the bill and say that it doesn't get at the crux of the problem. Overall, juvenile homicides are on the decline, raising questions about the timing of the legislation, they say.

"This is a PR bill," said Robert Fellmeth, a former prosecutor and executive director of the Children's Advocacy Institute at the University of San Diego Law School. "It's a bill designed to get some press releases and press attention and give the feeling that this senator (Feinstein) is really on top of the problem and is going after it."

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Opponents say one of the most disturbing aspects of the bill is that it would lower the age for which juveniles could be tried as adults in the federal court system. Currently, that age is 17; under the legislation, it would be lowered to 16.

Another concern is a provision that allows a juvenile to be transferred from state to federal courts for any crime if prosecutors can show that the federal government has a strong interest in the case.

Opponents are concerned that the bill creates a new federal offense when three or more people work together to commit gang crimes, such as murder, kidnapping, robbery and arson. The bill also makes it a federal offense, with a maximum 10-year prison sentence, to recruit someone into a street gang. Critics say that would be difficult to enforce.

"How do you establish what is a gang?" asked Jesselyn McCurdy, legislative counsel for the America Civil Liberties Union's office in Washington. "Does a loose-knit group of friends end up being associated as a gang?"

Some police officers who agree with the intent of the proposed law question whether it would be effective.

Bob Gonzales, the police chief in Santa Paula, Calif., said transferring juvenile gang members from state to federal courts might seem like a good idea but could create problems for smaller departments. Santa Paula officers would have to travel to federal court in Los Angeles - more than an hour away - to testify in such cases, which could take officers off the street and cause manpower shortages, he said.

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'Genuine personal discomfort' led to suit

By Jeff McDonald
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One is a lawyer who fought for privacy rights and helped defend indigent clients. Another is a fitness instructor who was a teacher of the year. All of them have children and worry that they are being wrongly excluded from public property.

The two San Diego couples who forced City Hall to ditch a decades-long relationship with the Boy Scouts of America might well be the neighbors next door. They are concerned parents, active in their communities, small-business owners and undaunted by a challenge.

Michael and Valerie Breen are agnostics who live in the College Area of San Diego. Lori

and Lynn Barnes-Wallace live in Normal Heights and were among the first lesbian couples in San Diego to have a child through artificial insemination.

The plaintiffs in the suit against the city of San Diego and the Desert Pacific Boy Scout Council declined requests for interviews through their attorneys yesterday, when they won another major victory in their 4-year-old case.

But public records and previous statements paint a largely mainstream portrait of the plaintiffs, whose primary complaint alleges that their sons are deprived use of public property that is leased to an organization that recognizes a Christian god and opposes homosexuality.

"They have a genuine per-

sonal discomfort and unhappiness about the fact that their sons cannot be members of an organization that discriminates against them," said Dale Kelly Bankhead of the ACLU, which brought the lawsuit.

The Barnes-Wallaces are well-known activists who volunteer regularly in the gay community and elsewhere.

"They're very family oriented," said Marci Bair, president of San Diego Family Matters, a resource center for gay families. "Whenever we've asked them to help out with an event, they've done it — picnics, barbecues, any kind of family event."

Lynn Barnes-Wallace, a 43-year-old teacher at Hage Elementary School in Mira Mesa,

was named 2003 elementary school physical educator of the year by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education.

Her partner, 52-year-old Lori Barnes-Wallace, ran a Hillcrest hair salon for several years. After the birth of their son, Mitchell, who is now 10, the couple spoke with *The San Diego Union-Tribune* about the challenges of raising a son with two mothers.

"I just couldn't wait to meet him," Barnes-Wallace said months after the boy was born. "And when I did, it was the most heart-warming experience of my life."

Ten years ago, on a cloudy night at the Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park, the Barnes-Wal-

laces participated in a commitment ceremony with their infant son in their arms.

The Breens have been in San Diego for many years. The couple has two children, a boy, Maxwell, and a daughter, Gabrielle.

Michael Breen, who is 41, runs several local computer-based businesses, including San Diego Area Music, which bills itself as the "world's largest regional music site." He is a UCSD graduate who has designed hundreds of Web sites and lectured extensively.

Friends and acquaintances say Breen is dedicated to both his family and his businesses.

"Michael's a pretty stand-up guy," said Kevin Hellman, who owned the now-defunct

SLAMM music magazine and now works at *CityBeat*. "When he said he was going to do something, he always did it. This is something he believed in and followed all the way through."

Valerie Breen, who will turn 40 this year, graduated cum laude from San Diego State University in 1987, according to her résumé. By 1993, she earned a law degree from the University of San Diego.

She was admitted to the State Bar in 1994, the same year her son was born, but is now listed as inactive by the association.

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HAMPTON

Council president stepping down

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By Rick Nowlin
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Hampton council President Dick Dunlap has a new job, and because of that, he is leaving council.

Dunlap began work Dec. 1 as executive director of the Allegheny League of Municipalities. In his new position, he oversees communication and cooperation among the county's 130 municipalities.

Because of what he perceives as a professional conflict, he will step down today from council, where he served for eight years, the last seven as president.

"I felt it was awkward," Dunlap said. "I'm representing all the municipalities in this job."

Dunlap was re-elected to a third term on council just days before he was offered the posi-

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— Dick Dunlap

tion. If he had known he was going to be offered the job, he would not have run, he said.

Before taking the new job, Dunlap worked as an attorney with the Downtown law firm of Dickie McCamey & Chilcote since 1971. "I enjoyed my 32 years at the law firm, but it was time to do something different," he said.

He previously served as Hampton's representative to the Allegheny County Association of Township Officials, and later was

president of that organization.

Dunlap first ran for council as a Republican in 1995 and won. He was elected president in the next year.

He listed the biggest accomplishments during his time on council as renovations to the ball fields and the swimming pool and the building of a community center, which is scheduled for completion next year.

The Clarion County native didn't start his career as a public servant. He studied aeronautical engineering at Penn State University and left for San Diego after his 1962 graduation, spending nine years with General Dynamics. For four of those years, he worked at Cape Canaveral near Orlando, Fla., but he returned to San Diego to attend law school at the University of San Diego.

A homesick Dunlap wanted to return to Western Pennsylvania, so he joined the Pittsburgh law firm immediately after earning his degree. Formerly of Ross, Dunlap moved to Hampton in 1977.

Dunlap met his wife, Nona, in San Diego.

"This time of year, she reminds me of what it's like in San Diego," he said. They have two grown children and two grandchildren.

Dunlap said he no longer will attend council meetings.

"They don't need me looking over their shoulder," he said. "Once you're off, it's best to let them do their thing."

Joyce Fastuca, assistant to the township manager for public relations, said Dunlap would be missed on council primarily for his willingness to



Bob Donaldson/Post-Gazette

Hampton Councilman Dick Dunlap will step down from his council seat as he's become the executive director of the Allegheny League of Municipalities.

olve problems and for allowing residents to speak their minds, especially on such issues as housing development and, most recently, a proposed methadone clinic that council voted down in November.

"He [would] do his research and know what he was talking about," Fastuca said.

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Youths catch tough-love talk from Winslow;
Hall of Fame tight end hits hard on wisdom of off-field careers

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NFL Hall of Fame member **Kellen Winslow** called for 40 volunteers, and dozens of eager high school and college athletes trooped to the front of the auditorium to nervously wait for what would happen next.

"This is my high school football team," the former San Diego Chargers tight end said. "I'll keep eight. The rest of you sit down. Your football career just ended. Now, of the eight who play in Division I or Division II or Division III colleges, how many are going to hurt a knee, shoulder or back? How many are going to flunk out? How many aren't going to the professional teams?"

As the young would-be pros tittered, Winslow sent all but one to their seats.

"That," Winslow said to the now-silent gathering, "is the way it is."

Winslow, a five-time All-Pro and member of the NFL's All-Time Team, hammered student jocks with his tough-love message on Thursday as keynote speaker at the 2004 Sports Career Expo at the University of Houston.

The NFL-sanctioned event was sponsored by Why Not Sports, a national nonprofit group that encourages students to explore sports careers on and off the playing field. Winslow headlined a roster of speakers who touted an array of careers in sports marketing, product development and public relations.

Winslow stressed that "academics and athletics go hand in hand," and urged his audience to apply themselves to their college studies. "It's cruel, but one day you're on top and the next day you're forgotten. One day your body will fail you, but your mind will take you further than your body."

The football star noted that only 1,700 athletes play football professionally.

"How many high schools are there in Houston?" he asked. "How many in Texas? How many in the nation?"

Then he paused as the kids pondered the odds against pro careers.

Winslow used his life as an example, telling students how he accepted a high school coach's challenge to excel in academics and athletics.

"I started late. I was a senior in high school when the coach called me out of my geometry class and said, 'You belong on the playing field,' " Winslow said. " . . . I accepted his challenge."

In 1975, he was awarded a scholarship to Missouri and three years later was named Big Eight Player of the Year. In 1979, he was the 13th player selected in the first round of the draft.



After nine years with the Chargers, the St. Louis native, who has a bachelor's degree in counseling psychology, obtained a law degree from the **University of San Diego**.

He has also carved out a career as a sports analyst, appearing regularly on Fox Sports Net's college football highlights show and CBS radio's NFL broadcasts. He also works as a motivational speaker, addressing corporate, civic and charitable groups.

Winslow offered the athletes a formula for success.

"If you're on the field two hours, study for two hours," he said. "Apply that formula and you will see the results . . ."

Winslow's themes were underscored in a panel discussion that featured, among others, Robert Saladino, the Hispanic Outreach Coordinator for the Houston Texans. Saladino, who has bachelor's and master's degrees, told students academic achievement put him in a "dream job" at 26.

"I was always interested in being involved in sports," he said, "but I was 5-9 and weighed 160 pounds. I knew I needed to start looking for a job in another venue."

In his job with the Texans, Saladino is responsible for overseeing team publicity in the Spanish media and promoting the team in the Hispanic community.

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Kasey A. Covert and Gina E. Och Named Partners of Murchison & Cumming, LLP

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LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 /PRNewswire/ -- Murchison & Cumming, LLP is pleased to announce that Kasey A. Covert and Gina E. Och have been named Partners of the firm.

Casey Kovert is the Partner in Charge of Murchison & Cumming's Northern California office. She practiced seven years in the firm's San Diego office handling complex litigation, before moving north to manage the firm's first office in Northern California. Ms. Covert's practice includes construction defect, health law and general liability matters for the Sacramento and San Francisco Bay areas. She is a graduate of the University of San Diego School of Law and is a member of the Association of Northern California Defense Counsel

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Gina Och is a partner in Murchison & Cumming's Los Angeles office and member of the firm's Law & Appellate Practice Group. For the past seven years at Murchison & Cumming she has focused her practice on product liability, business litigation, public utilities and international law. Prior to joining Murchison & Cumming, Ms. Och worked as a Research Attorney for the Los Angeles County Superior Court. Ms. Och has prepared briefs and argued numerous cases at the appellate level. In addition,

each year she is a co-presenter for the firm's Year in Review seminar with senior partner Edmund G. Farrell, III. Ms. Och is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law, where she was Managing Editor of the Chicano-Latino Law Review.

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Mark Sherkow is vice chair of the Windy City Performing Arts, a gay and lesbian association, whose choruses sang the national anthem at a recent White Sox game. **Mark** is also active in the Chicago Swarthmore Connection. Lucky **Mark**, to be in a city with multiple baseball teams and newspapers.

The man who oversaw our early cinematic education is still teaching us, in a very enjoyable way. **Ken Turan's** book *Sundance to Sarajevo: Film Festivals and*

the World They Made is coming out in paperback this fall (U. of California Press). **Kenny** is also providing "editorial assistance" for Sid Caesar's upcoming autobiography.

Abbott Small writes that the late Susan Snyder, a distinguished teacher of Shakespeare and Renaissance literature at the College from 1963 to 1993, "inspired a lively love of the English Renaissance in me and in others." He wrote this about her.

Leaving Us Momentarily

*Being on two sides
of the same text,
and the middle revised,
restating the hidden,*

*Opening heart
to pastoral mind,
and to private phrases
once worn and cried,*

*Remembering to herself
the last things said,
her saturnine self,
long since bled,—*

*When she died she took
her place—effortlessly—
evenly and moderately—
among the ranks of the living,*

*The clearly said,
The wisely implied.*

Well said, much implied.
I am sorry to report the deaths of some classmates' relatives. **Rod Chronister's** brother

Ted '56 and Mary Ellen Grafflin Chijioke's mother, **Alice Wardell Grafflin '31**, died last May. Our condolences to the families. **Mary Ellen** had some happier news as well. Her son **Akobuye** was married last summer at the George School Meetinghouse, with guests from four continents.

A little less continental (three) but still great fun was the wedding of Courtney Laseter to **Georgia Rucker '91**, oldest daughter of **Rudy and Sylvia Bogesch Rucker '65**. There were lots of Swatties in attendance, mostly from both **Georgia's** class but some from our own (**Greg Gibson, Roger Shatzkin**, and yours truly).

Kelvin Seifert seems content in his "stable, mellow middle age." He's been teaching educational psychology for 30 years at the U. of Manitoba and is "still happily married to Barbara Fuller." Their son, **Michael '01**, is a grad student at the U. of Chicago; daughter Elizabeth is a senior at Grinnell.

Since she's not the one in her family with a "computer brain," it was a big step for **Janet Munneke Madden** to create a "baby Web site" at U. of San Diego law school, where she's the director of the academic support program. **Janet's** younger son just got a Ph.D. at Berkeley and starts teaching at MIT in December.

This is the sparsest news since I started writing this column. What's the story? Are we withering on the vine? Was it something I said? Is it the war?

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Bush's immigration amnesty is sheer lunacy

AARON SMITH

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OK, I give up. We need an amnesty. Without amnesty, prices go up, and there goes the middle class's standard of living.

It's compassionate as well. After all, why should people offering a popular service fear policemen?

It's practical. We can't catch all the lawbreakers. So we need an amnesty for car thieves.

Idiocy? Of course. No one would legalize car theft. Libertarians would rail about the sanctity of property rights. Liberals would howl that the culture of the car thief would become mainstream, removing an invaluable strand from our national fabric. Conservatives would remind us that we live in a law-and-order society — though they might give car thieves free prescription drugs.

But no one would put his or her car at risk. Yet these groups have no problem putting American sovereignty at risk. Through a guest-worker program, undocumented immigrants can earn legalization. So many euphemisms make my head spin.

Interest groups of the left and the right give our cars more protection than our nation.

Libertarians hold borders to be an archaic construct denying them freedom. Of course, you don't see a Libertarian exodus to Afghanistan, the Ivory

Coast or other borderless lands.

Mass immigration to the Roman empire led to its doom. Maybe today's Libertarians realize that secure borders aren't so bad. Or maybe they want to live in the world's most prosperous nation and have cheap gardeners, too.

Liberals accept the principle of the nation-state. They just view it as barbaric that some nations are rich while others are poor. Letting the Third World flood into the First World soothes their conscience. The fact that these

illiterate, unskilled soon-to-be citizens might favor an expanded welfare state and affirmative-action policies is just icing on the cake.

Compassionate conservatives might get invitations to the A-list parties if people think that they aren't icky conservatives who actually hold conservative views.

When all the spin stops, the arguments come down to cheap labor and easy votes, and the American taxpayer picks up the bill.

"Americans won't fill the jobs," Republicans say. But with a 6 percent unemployment rate, 2 million people in prison and millions more on welfare, importing workers seems a luxury for employers. Perhaps if illegal aliens undercut the salaries of CEOs, business leaders would re-evaluate the meaning of "necessity."

Conservatives champion the free market as the most efficient way to find

the price of goods. But just as thieves distort the car market, illegal aliens distort the job market. They depress wages and working conditions. Republicans should remember that conservatism is not simply pleasing big business.

Democrats claim to represent the working class. But poor Americans suffer the most from illegal immigration. The unskilled jobs that illegal aliens take could give poor Americans training that can lead to better-paying work.

Health care for the poor collapses as illegal aliens compete for use of public health facilities. The law promises uninsured Americans treatment in any emergency room, yet emergency rooms close as illegal aliens drain resources.

Our schools are filled to the bursting point. Teachers must devote time teaching the children of illegal aliens as American children struggle. Liberal activists would give illegal aliens subsidized, in-state tuition for college while charging citizens from Arizona an exorbitant rate. What lesson will our children learn from such a system?

Like car thieves, illegal aliens drain tax dollars from the public treasury. Like car thieves, they diminish the quality of the average American's life. We would never give car thieves amnesty. Even politicians worry about someone stealing their cars.

Aaron Smith of Carlsbad is president of the Republican Law Student Association at the University of San Diego School of Law.

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the port before being appointed to the top spot by port commissioners two years ago. He is a Vietnam veteran who served in the Army from 1967 to 1970. He graduated from San Diego State University and obtained a law degree from the University of San Diego. He is a member of the California State Bar Association. He is married, with two children, and lives in the Pacific Beach area.

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RecipeSource

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"I like to cook. I'm actually a very good cook, a gourmet cook. I do most of the cooking at home." He peruses the recipes and concocts his own. "Also, when I go camping with friends or my son, I do the cooking. We go to the Wind River Range in Wyoming or the Sierras (in California) and fish. I bring along a variety of ingredients so I can decide how I'm going to prepare the trout."

Megapixel.net

<http://www.megapixel.net>

"This site reviews digital equipment. It's a camera magazine, really. It rates all the digital cameras and shows you examples of the pictures each camera takes. I was a

photographer in the Army and I have been interested in photography all my life. I like digital cameras and I want to buy one, but I'm waiting."

Christ Lutheran Church - Pacific Beach

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"I go to this site often because I'm on the church council. It lists a lot of what is going on in the congregation. But it also has thoughtful and prayerful things that are good to read, very spiritual."

Musicmatch

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"This site has all kinds of music that I can listen to and download." Here he can locate "hard-to-find music from such groups as the Ink Spots, the Mills Brothers and Louie Armstrong."

School of Nursing Science

Daily exercise is best medicine to combat aging

Copley News Service

Lorraine Roberts decided to get in shape when she turned 50.

Her only previous exercise had been walking with her grandmother as a child, but Roberts wasn't daunted. She took up golf and quickly found that she had a strong swing and equally strong legs.

Nearly four decades later, Roberts marked her 89th birthday with her regular morning stroll. Despite arthritis in both knees and asthma, she still golfs — "I love it, but I don't play as well as I used to" — and she regularly gets out with her senior group of mall walkers.

Roberts also builds strength through resistance training.

"I do a lot of stretching that I didn't do before, and I'm more agile than I used to be," she said.

"Exercise gets my blood flowing, and it makes me feel great. I walk every chance I get. When I go shopping, I park the car as far away from the store entrance as I can and walk in."

Roberts embodies the universal belief, based on research and clinical experience, that exercise after 50 is a no-brainer: Regular workouts help counteract the physiological and psychological effects of aging. And, thanks to an array of low-impact regimens, the over-50 body can achieve fitness without stress or soreness.

"It's true that people over 50 show declines in balance, mobility, strength and range of motion," said Jeanne Nichols-Bernhard, a professor of exercise physiology in San Diego State University's Department of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences. "But so much of that is really caused by disuse and sedentary lifestyles. You can slow down the so-called 'aging process' by staying active."

But how?

For those who already exercise regularly, the half-century mark may be a time when joint pain and fatigue are cramping their regimen. For those who haven't exercised, starting from scratch can seem like a formidable challenge, but the timing is fortuitous.

A fitness surge that began with baby boomers has made over-50 workouts accessible and fun.

As outlined in "Exercise: A Guide from the National Institute on Aging" (nia.nih.gov/exercisebook/), the most effective over-50 fitness regimen would include four types of exercise, each with its own benefits:

- Endurance or aerobic exercises, such as running and walking, increase stamina and can help delay or prevent diabetes and heart disease.

- Strength exercises, such as weight or resistance training, increase metabolism and can help prevent osteoporosis.

- Flexibility exercises that focus on stretching can prevent or aid recovery from injuries.

- Balance exercises such as yoga can help prevent the falls

that are a major cause of injury for elderly people.

Many nontraditional exercise programs combine two or more of these fitness aspects with min-

imal impact on aging joints.

In its 16th annual study of sports participation in the United States last spring, American Sports Data Inc. reported that

the fastest-growing fitness regimens since 1998 have been Pilates, a hybrid exercise of resis-

tance, balance and stretching; indoor aerobic machines such as elliptical motion trainers and recumbent cycling; and relaxation techniques such as yoga and tai chi. Experts believe these trends mean that aging exercisers prefer workouts low on stress and

high on social interaction.

"People like to participate in group fitness programs," said Shelly Buono, an exercise physiologist. "When you exercise with a group, you make a commitment, and you have more fun. That's a good way to make exercise a habit, which is very important."

Kathy James, an associate professor at the Hahn School of Nursing at the University of San Diego, picked up the fitness habit at age 30, when she began running to lose weight and dropped 60 pounds.

"I literally ran my weight off," James said.

Now 50, James focuses her re-

search on obesity. In her off hours, she runs six miles a day with her running buddy of 20 years. Both professionally and personally, James has seen that exercising is a good way to stave off the effects of aging.

Over-50 people who experience back pain often react by lying down, but, James said, "bed rest is the worst thing for a back problem."

"You need to move around, and strengthening the abdominal muscles can really help, because that keeps you from getting a swayback," she said.

Swimming, the ultimate low-impact sport, is a great way to tone up aging muscles, James said.

"Swimming helps give you strong arms, a strong upper body, and strong legs," she said.

Whatever options you choose, experts agree that you need to establish an exercise routine, and a daily regimen is best.

"A 150-pound person who walks a mile a day will burn 150 calories that way," James said. "If you make no other change in your diet, at the end of the year, those 150 calories a day will add

up to 15 pounds."

There is one other incentive for the over-50 crowd to get in shape, and it is a powerful one.

Ominous statistics about childhood lifestyles suggest that many offspring of baby boomers already are overweight and unfit.

"Today's kids are not getting regular exercise, they're spending too much time in front of the TV, and they're drinking too many sugary soft drinks," said Buono, the exercise physiologist. "I hope the 50-plus generation will help lead their kids and their grandkids into a healthier life."



Lorraine Roberts, 89, stretches along with other mall walkers as they warm up for their stroll.

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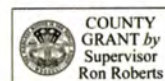
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A bishop and four "angels:" San Diego Episcopal Bishop (above right) will be the guest speaker at the University of San Diego's annual interreligious service at noon tomorrow at the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculata, which is on the campus. On Sunday, the vocal ensemble Anonymous 4 (above left) will perform "American Angels," a tour of the country's musical history, 3 p.m. at St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in La Jolla. Concert tickets are \$20; call (858) 459-3421, Ext. 109.

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'Father B' Buchanan; clergyman noted for humor, compassion

By Jack Williams
STAFF WRITER

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Wherever the Rev. Donald Buchanan went, his reputation for disarmingly corny jokes and riddles preceded him.

During more than 40 years as a San Diego-area clergyman, that lively sense of humor became as recognizable as his compassion for the infirm and his penchant for singing at his annual Christmas parties.



Rev. Donald Buchanan

"Father B must have had a million of those jokes," said Pat Steiger, a longtime family friend. "Everybody looked forward to hearing a new one."

Partially paralyzed by a stroke and with his vision impaired by macular degeneration, the Rev. Buchanan continued to say Mass for up to 20 people at a time in recent years from a wheelchair at Steiger's Lemon Grove home.

He died at her home Dec. 29 of complications from a variety of ailments, including diabetes. He was 91.

Although he retired in 1985 as associate pastor of St. John of the Cross Roman Catholic Church in Lemon Grove, the Rev. Buchanan remained active in the ministry until a week before his death, Steiger said. He often ministered in private homes, hospitals and retirement centers.

When his sight began to fail about three years ago, he knew he had to take measures to compensate for the loss. "He memorized the Mass so he could continue to say it," Steiger said. "He couldn't even see the largest print."

While based at St. John of the Cross, the Rev. Buchanan founded Rosaries for Peace, candlelight processions held annually at the University of San Diego.

His duties included serving as a chaplain at Scripps Mercy

Hospital and confessor and spiritual adviser for the Carmelite Sisters at Little Flower Haven in La Mesa. He also had taught history at University of San Diego High School, Steiger said.

The Rev. Buchanan was born on the Isle of Barra off the west coast of Scotland. He moved with his family to Canada at age 11, settling in Saskatchewan.

In 1932, the Rev. Buchanan began studying theology and philosophy at Campion College, a Jesuit institution in Canada. He taught at Campion's Regina, Saskatchewan, campus before entering St. Mary's Seminary in Kansas.

He was ordained on June 17, 1945, and conducted his first Mass the following day at the Chapel of the Immaculata in St. Mary's. He served in parishes in Kansas, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Canada.

During nearly 1½ years in Vancouver, British Columbia, he conducted several missions and retreats throughout Canada.

In November 1957, he was assigned to the Diocese of San Diego. He served at St. Charles parish in Imperial Beach, Our Lady of Grace in El Cajon and St. Mary Magdalene in Clairemont before being assigned in 1972 to St. John of the Cross.

At the latter parish, the Rev. Buchanan reinstated the Legion of Mary and started home visitations with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

"Everyone knew him as 'Father B,'" Steiger said. "He was a very outgoing, loving, faithful priest."

For 30 years, the Rev. Buchanan brought Christmas parties to retirement homes in the East County, never failing to raise his voice in song. "He believed that when you sing, you are praying as well," Steiger said.

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On the lighter side, the Rev. Buchanan was a storehouse of riddles.

Among them: "What does the ocean say to the people on the beach? It doesn't say anything, it just waves."

And: "Why did the turtle cross the road? To get to the shell station."

Survivors include his brother, Alex Buchanan of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. today at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, Lemon Grove. Burial will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery, San Diego.

Donations are suggested to the St. John of the Cross Catholic Church building fund.

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School board hopefuls propose budget remedies

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The budget crisis in public education has put San Diego school board candidates in a unenviable position: trying to win over voters while planning for painful spending cuts.

Beyond the usual promises to build consensus on the infamously divided board, the would-be trustees must speak to issues such as closing campuses, eliminating jobs and slashing programs.

With no incumbents on the ballot, three neophytes will inherit a \$1.1 billion budget already cut by an estimated \$60 million to \$84 million. Like other urban districts in the state, San Diego has been hurt by declining enrollment, the rising cost of employee benefits and a sluggish economy. And there's every indication these tough times will not end soon.

Offering a clue as to how they would manage the finances of the state's second-largest school system, most candidates say they would keep class size

low and avoid laying off teachers. But as the candidates ponder the future, portions of the Blueprint for Student Success reform plan and the district's use of outside consultants appear vulnerable.

The March 2 primary election will be decided by voters in districts A, D and E. The top two finishers in each race will go on to the November general election, when voters throughout the San Diego Unified School District

San Diego city schools

Voters will elect three new trustees this year, as all incumbents are retiring.

Budget: The system is in the midst of a fiscal crunch. Next year's \$1.1 billion budget has been cut by an estimated \$60 million to \$84 million.

Enrollment: 138,600

Teachers: 7,381

Campuses: 187

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Many candidates oppose raising classroom sizes

will cast ballots.

District A

Parent advocate Mitz Lee and scientist Miyo Reff both want to protect classrooms and concentrate cuts in the district's central office. They are vying to succeed Frances O'Neill Zimmerman, who opted against re-election after new boundaries excised her from the district.

District A is a north inland portion of San Diego bounded by Interstate 5 on the west, stretching as far south as Bay Park, extending along state Route 163 and Interstate 15 on the east, and reaching as far north as Mira Mesa. The district also includes University City, Clairemont, Kearny Mesa and Bay Ho.

Lee and Reff agree that the district's peer coaches, teachers assigned to each campus to improve classroom instruction, are a luxury that may have to go.

Lee touts her experience on various local and state committees, including a district budget committee. Her MBA includes financial management and she boasts she "knows the workings of a budget." Her first request would be for an audit of the budget.

Lee also would look closely at the cost effectiveness of instructional leaders, mid-level administrators who oversee school principals.

Reff believes veteran teachers could do the work of peer coaches while maintaining their classroom duties.

A chunk of the budget deficit — \$17 million in lost state attendance revenue — is caused by declining enrollment. The board voted to close a school two years ago because of low enrollment and may shut down another this year.

To keep small schools open, Reff would consider taking sixth-graders out of middle schools and putting them in elementaries to beef up enrollment.

Reff said her work as a parent volunteer has prepared her to tackle the district budget. She co-founded EdUCate!, a foundation that in nine years has raised more than \$400,000 for the five public schools in University City.

Reff would like to make better use of the millions of dollars in grant money the district receives.

"These programs have hidden costs," Reff said. "You have all this soft money coming in and the money is untouchable. I'm not sure we can afford to accept these grants. It's like giving a poor person a luxury car."

District D

Four candidates are vying to represent San Diego's central neighborhoods. Two will appear on the ballot and two are campaigning as write-in candidates.

District D includes Sherman Heights, North Park, University Heights, Barrio Logan, Golden Hill, Stockton, Grant Hill and Shelltown. The region covers an area roughly bounded on the north by Madison Avenue and on the south by the National City boundary; it extends east from Dove Street in Hillcrest to Fairmont Avenue in City Heights.

The winner will replace Ron Ottinger, who like Zimmerman was redistricted out of his area and chose not to seek another term.

Luis Acle, a substitute teacher who won a spot on the ballot through a court ruling, suggested that the district cut back on staff development seminars and consider using videotapes to provide more teacher training. He said the district also should lessen its use of consultants.

Acle opposes increasing class size or laying off teachers, saying the district should reduce its staff through attrition.

To bring more revenue to the district, Benjamin Hueso would launch a "marketing campaign" to persuade parents to enroll their children in district schools instead of charter or private institutions.

Hueso, a city redevelopment project manager, opposes laying off teachers, but said the district may have to abandon the district's reform plan. "I don't know if our current budget will be able to sustain the Blueprint," he said.

He would reluctantly close schools. As a last resort, Hueso also would support cuts to benefits for the district's staff, as long as administrators are included.

"I'm not a real big proponent

of going after teachers' benefits, but it might end up coming to that," he said.

Pilar Arballo, a former San Diego teacher and write-in candidate, would cut administrators' salaries and hire fewer teacher-training consultants to balance a budget deep in the red.

Arballo, an organizer at a community development corporation, opposes cutting teacher benefits or raising class sizes.

She would scale back the Blueprint and use the district's nationally certified teachers to train other teachers instead of hiring consultants.

"You need to be frugal and spend wisely," Arballo said. "But that's not what the district does when it comes to the Blueprint."

Guadalupe Corona, another write-in candidate, also has her eye on reducing the number of teaching coaches to make ends meet.

"I think the Blueprint has caused some overhead in some areas and created more tension than success," said Corona, a University of San Diego administrator.

Corona said she would restore the janitorial staff — 117 full-time custodians were cut last year — because she has seen how unkempt her son's school has become. Corona said she would find administrative overhead to cut instead, such as hiring fewer consultants and using district staff to train teachers.

Corona opposes closing schools with low enrollment and would rather give those campuses a year to attract students. To raise revenue, she wants the district to lease more of its unused property.

Leasing land requires four supporting votes from the five-member board, and any suggestion to do that in the past six years has been blocked by Zimmerman and trustee John de Beck.

District E

Three candidates are competing to represent District E, which is bounded by El Cajon Boulevard to the north, state Route 54 to the south, Fairmount Avenue to the west and the La Mesa border to the east. Trustee Edward Lopez will step down from the post after two terms.

The district encompasses Oak Park, Encanto, Bay Terraces, Chollas View, Lincoln Park, and parts of City Heights.

Sheila Jackson said excessive spending on out-of-town consultants is to blame for some of the budget problems. Jackson, who began working as an educational consultant after she resigned her teaching position in June, said outside consultants have been brought in when local people could have done the job.

Jackson also would consider cutting teaching coaches and public information staff members. During harsh times, she said, district employees might have to work outside their expertise to pick up the slack.

Jackson would consider cuts at the district office and freezing the district's top salaries. She would support raising class size from 20 students to 25 students in kindergarten through third grade or closing schools if local enrollment doesn't sustain them.

Mshinda Nyofu said he wants a budget audit so he can work to "clean up any waste that's making us inefficient."

Nyofu supports protecting magnet programs, class size and special education programs for disabled students. He said he's opposed to shutting down elementary schools with low enrollment.

A legislative aide for City Councilman Charles Lewis, Nyofu said he would look for cuts at the central office and consider asking employees to contribute to their benefits packages.

He wants the district to lease land to raise money. And he

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said he would help District E campuses establish private foundations to help schools in poor areas offset cutbacks the way schools in affluent areas do.

Retired district administrator Sharon Whitehurst-Payne blames the budget mess on the way the state funds districts. But she also faults the district for overspending on the Blueprint during the past five years.

"For a while we were spending money as if there was no bottom," she said.

Whitehurst-Payne worries that any more cuts to the district's central office would do more harm than good. She would consider, instead, cutting instructional leaders, the administrators who work with principals.

She would also support closing elementary schools with declining enrollment or running them differently, perhaps with a part-time principal. But she wouldn't raise class size.

Whitehurst-Payne would re-evaluate the district's health care plan, which pays full coverage for multiple dependents. But she doesn't support having employees contribute to their own health care.

A 30-year district employee, Whitehurst-Payne said she's been through tight fiscal times and is prepared to do it again as a school board member.

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Seniors get the low down on college life from WHS alumni

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Anxious seniors at Wilton High School may have gotten a better feel for what they can expect next year if college is their next destination after graduation.

Twelve Wilton High School graduates paid a visit to the school last Wednesday morning, Jan. 7, to reflect on their freshman year experiences at college campuses across the country. In a forum in the new auditorium sponsored by the Wilton PTSA, and led by moderator Maureen Papp, the students dispelled myths about classes, roommates, drinking and money matters.

Emily Kempson who attends the University of Virginia, John D'Ascenzo from Bates College, Meg Anderson from Gettysburg college, Michael Barr from Villanova University, Jeanine Schum from James Madison University, Max Schwender from Lehigh College, Armene Gavoor from St. Mary's College, Dan Kempson from Johns Hopkins University, Allison Zucco from the University of San Diego, Paul Jarboe from Trinity College, Jocelyn Pollack from Miami University and Nicole Allen from the University of Puget Sound were on hand as Ms. Papp told the senior class, "Today, you are there. Next year, you'll be up here."

The first few weeks away at college can be a trying time for anyone who has never been away from home for long periods of time or has never lived with anyone other than family. Homesickness, culture shock and depression are common and most college freshmen have to learn how to make both personal and academic adjustments to a new way of life.

Ms. Pollack said, "I'm in Ohio, so the culture is different. Since I go to a state school, about 75% of the students are from Ohio. At first it was difficult since many students already had friends." She encouraged students to leave their doors open when in their rooms. "People stop and say 'hi.' I've made a lot of friends that way," she said.

Advice for the first day of school was

nearly unanimous from the panel.

"Say 'hi' to everyone, because no one knows anyone else, so it helps," said Mr. Kempson, who is also attending the Peabody Conservatory at Johns Hopkins. His twin sister, Emily, agreed. "Don't be shy about saying 'hi' to everyone you stand next to," she said.

"Everyone wants a friend, so be open,"

Mr. D'Ascenzo, whose dorm at Bates is co-ed by room said, "Dorm living is all about what you make of it."

"Really get involved in your floor. Say 'hi.' Help decorate. It was a bonding experience with my roommate when we decorated our room," said Ms. Anderson.

Ms. Kempson even suggested students take an afternoon to go around the dorm and introduce themselves.

"My dorm is one of the few all-male dorms on campus, so we keep our doors open. When a girl walks by it's like, 'Hey!' Keep your door open because everyone is in the same situation," Mr. Barr said. Participation in intramural sports is also a great way to meet new people and make friends, he said.

As far as roommates go, both Mr. D'Ascenzo and Ms. Schum talked of issues they had at school.

"My roommate likes to work at 3 a.m.. We talked about it. He's never lived with someone else, so it was difficult. My roommate is not a good person. We're not getting along at all," said Mr. D'Ascenzo.

Ms. Schum had a different problem with her roommate at James Madison. "My original roommate was from Danbury and she prejudged me right away. She ended up moving out without even telling me," she said.

Suggestions were plentiful from the panel about how to deal with early-

morning classes in college. The first recommendation that flew out was to get a good alarm clock, with some encouraging getting two in case one didn't work. That would have helped Mr. Barr out of a tricky situation when he missed an 8:30 Spanish final this past fall. Other students said they were used to their mothers waking them up and the adjustment to college life took some time.

While freshmen at college have fewer class choices than upperclassmen, several panelists advised against taking early-morning or evening classes. "If you can't



Wilton High School alumni Emily Kempson, right, and John D'Ascenzo were two of the students who participated in a forum for seniors at the high school on Jan. 7. The forum was designed to give graduating seniors an idea of what college life is really like.

—Devin Comiskey photo

said Mr. Barr. "Some schools also have retreats for incoming freshmen, so take advantage of those, too." He also said the ones who aren't enjoying life at Villanova are the ones who stay in their rooms all day long and don't get involved with anything.

Concerns about campus and dorm security were mixed, although most of the panelists said an "open door" policy worked best for them. Roommates, however, proved to be a tricky issue for some.

"My dorm is rated a 'D-minus,' but it's Hartford after all. But, my dorm is quiet most of the time so I can study," said Mr. Jarboe.

Seniors get the low-down on college life

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make it to early classes, don't schedule them," said Ms. Kempson.

Ms. Gavoor's advice was to create a buddy system with other students in an early class in order to avoid missing notes or classes. "It really helps in a bind," she said.

One of the most important pieces of advice from the panel was to make sure students kept up with their classes, regardless of the time. "In college, you don't want to miss classes because you will fall behind," said Ms. Barr. "As long as you stay on top, you won't have a problem."

"College can be stressful if you put things off until the last minute. Don't think it's a piece of cake," said Ms. Zucco.

Ms. Papp asked the panel how they scheduled or divided their time between studying and spending time with friends. The unanimous response was that it wasn't really possible to do that.

Finding a place to study, however, turned out to be a quest each student had to make at their school.

Ms. Anderson said she studied in her room because she would talk to everyone who walked into the library on campus. Ms. Allen, a philosophy major, had a different perspective. She said, "I bring my laptop everywhere. The best place to study is the library. I recommend not studying in your room."

Well prepared

Overall, the student panel found they were often well prepared for college compared to their peers from other schools.

"Especially in writing. I made

it into an honors English class and was surprised. I read essays other students wrote and they were very basic," Ms. Pollack.

Mr. Barr agreed. "Compared to friends who went to private schools I felt as much or more prepared," he said.

That sort of preparedness seemed to help these students while at college, many of whom said it made their lives less stressful compared to their high school years. Although, Ms. Zucco explained students still need to work hard. "College can be stressful if you put things off until the last minute. Don't think it's a piece of cake," she said.

"As long as you stay on top, you won't have a problem. I was definitely more stressed in high school with the workload," added Mr. Barr.

As the panel of freshmen closed out their discussion, they threw out several other suggestions for incoming students, which included bringing flip flops for showering, checking the religious affiliation and the role religion plays at a college, the importance of Greek life at a school, and be prepared to need more money than originally thought.

The most assuring statements came from Ms. Gavoor and Mr. Barr.

"I was nervous at first about my school. But be confident in your decision because you probably made the right one," said Ms. Gavoor.

"A lot of colleges have a lot more to offer than meets the eye. Keep an open mind," said Mr. Barr.

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Condominium and apartment construction can be seen in this aerial view of the Mission Valley area north of Friars Road and east of Interstate 805. "We cannot accommodate any more growth comfortably," activist Lynn Mulholland said. *John Gibbins / Union-Tribune*

How clogged is our valley



Condominiums have gone up along Friars Road near the Costco in Fenton Marketplace. Development in the area is about 80 percent complete, city staff members said. *Crissy Pascual / Union-Tribune*

Mission Valley residents assail development

By **Angela Lau**
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Mission Valley residents fear unrelenting development may finally destroy their community.

Fed up with the valley's chronic traffic congestion, 800 residents have signed a petition demanding intervention from the San Diego City Council.

Lynn Mulholland, who initiated the signature drive, advocates a moratorium on development, which has concentrated around Mission Valley's busy arteries, Friars and Mission Center roads.

"Right now, on a regular day, traffic is horrible, not to mention holidays," Mulholland said. "We cannot accommodate any more growth comfortably."

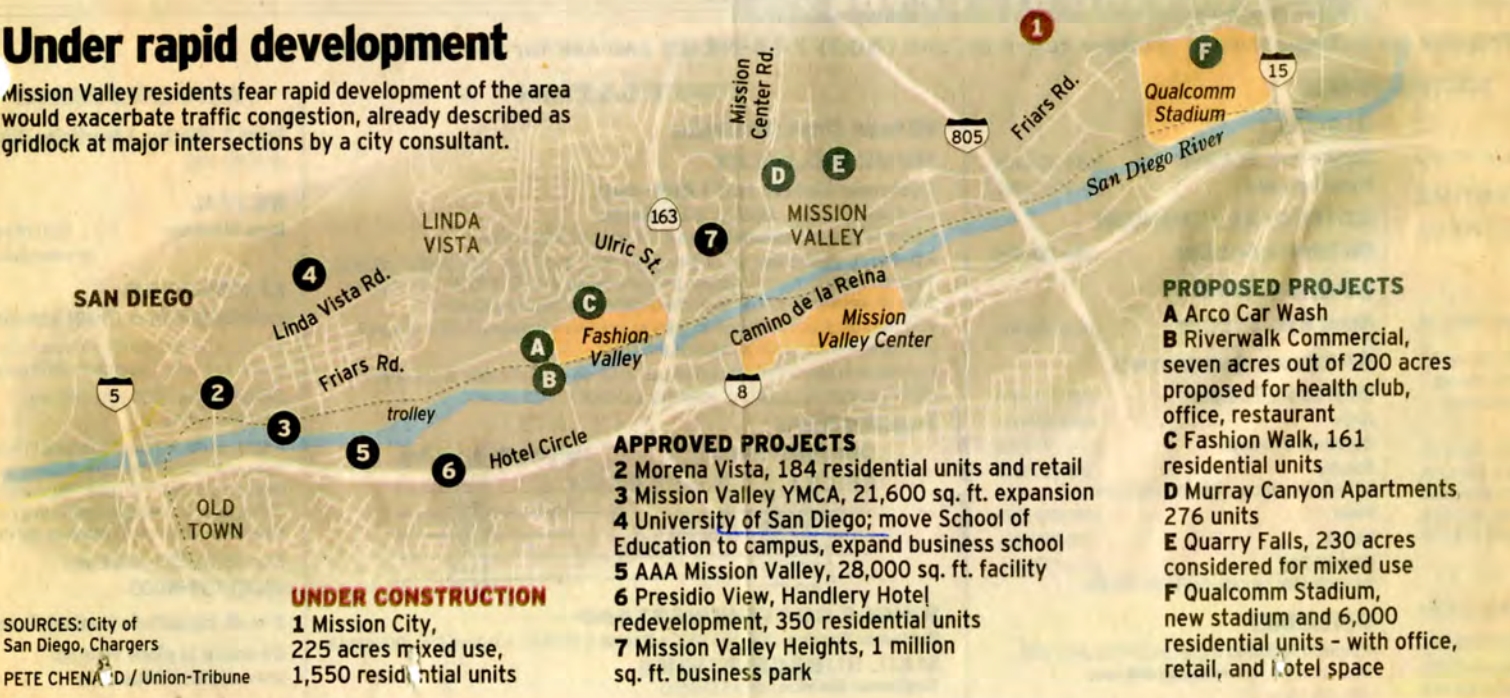
Development sites include the 200-acre Riverwalk Golf Club on Fashion Valley and Friars roads; the 225-acre Mission City near Qualcomm Stadium; the 166-acre stadium property; and the 230-acre sand-and-gravel quarry north of Friars Road.

The projected number of new housing units alone could total 8,500, if everything approved, proposed or being considered

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Under rapid development

Mission Valley residents fear rapid development of the area would exacerbate traffic congestion, already described as gridlock at major intersections by a city consultant.



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Developers say city to blame for traffic problems

between Interstates 5 and 15 were to be built.

Developers say they have secured rights to develop the premium real estate through binding agreements — some approved 16 years ago — and will exercise them responsibly and in consultation with community groups.

They say the city is to blame for the traffic problems. It has fallen short on some roads that were planned to serve new developments.

For instance, the Mission City Parkway Bridge, billed as a critical north-south link that would cross the San Diego River, was killed by the City Council two years ago because of environmental and cost concerns.

And when Qualcomm Stadium was expanded in 1997, the city failed to plan for increased traffic, developers said.

Furthermore, Mulholland and other residents said, although development agreements for major sites already were on the books, the City Council over the years continued to approve developments, exempting some of them from traffic improvements.

Marcela Escobar-Eck, a deputy director for the city's development services, said she understands residents' concerns, but the city must abide by its agreements with developers.

"Clearly it's a busy area," she said. "The city has a long-range plan for Mission Valley, which addresses the growth issues based on extensive input."

Ann Gonsalves, a senior traffic engineer for the city, said developments approved a long time ago will be required to

conduct updated traffic studies, which entail possible remedial measures to ease congestion.

Everyone, however, seems to agree on one thing: There is not much space left to build new roads as Mission Valley grows rapidly. The valley's population is projected to increase by 137 percent over the next 30 years.

Recent Census figures show that about 12,000 people live in the valley's 92108 ZIP code.

Chris Johnson, a city consultant, said traffic has either reached gridlock or is quickly approaching it at Friars and Frazee roads, Ulric Street and the on-ramps to state Route 163.

Even the freeway itself is gridlocked at afternoon peak hours on its southbound off-ramps, where cars weave in and out to get to Friars Road, Fashion Valley, Hotel Circle and Interstate 8.

Remedies include a proposed \$25 million makeover of the Route 163-Friars Road interchange. Improvements could include the construction of flyovers and the addition of lanes, Johnson said.

Friars Road also could be widened on the north side, and an extension of Hazard Center Drive under Route 163 to Fashion Valley has been planned, Johnson and city staff said.

The San Diego Trolley is extending its service from Mission Valley to San Diego State University and La Mesa. The new line is scheduled to open in May 2005.

City Councilwoman Donna Frye, whose district includes Mission Valley, suggested such measures as building pedestrian walkways and encouraging the use of bicycles and the trolley.

"What is happening in Mission Valley is happening throughout the city," she said, noting that the major developments were approved before she was elected in 2001.

"Incrementally, we build something here and something there and never really look at the entirety of what we are building and the cumulative effects of those," she said. "I can't undo the sins of the past, but my goal is to stop it from getting worse."

Over the past 15 years, Mission Valley has developed from a hub of car dealerships to a shopping and condominium nucleus, said Nathaniel Cohen, president of the Mission Valley Community Council.

"Planning done 16 to 20 years ago is no longer appropriate for Mission Valley anymore," Cohen said.

However, Linda Kaufman, chairwoman of the Mission Valley Unified Planning Group, the official advisory body to the city, pointed out that Mission Valley is designated as a busy urban center similar to downtown.

"It is designed to have mass transit and regional resources, and along with that comes traffic congestion," she said.

Resources — in the form of condos and commercial space — are continuing to pour in.

Major developments approved — some already under construction — include:

■ Mission City west of the stadium, north of San Diego River, east of Interstate 805 and south of Serra Mesa.

Approved in 1998, the project is about 80 percent complete, city staff members said.

The project includes the Fenton Marketplace and at least 1,550 apartments and condominiums. Houses on the south side of Friars Road have been completed while those on the north side are under construction, said John Wilhoit, a senior city planner.

■ The Riverwalk Golf Club along Fashion Valley Road and Hotel Circle North. Its development agreement was approved by the city in 1988.

If fully built, the development

would generate 60,000 to 70,000 vehicle trips per day, planners say. Two proposed road extensions to accommodate that development are Camino de la Reina and Via Las Cumbres, which would run through the golf course.

Lawrence Cushman, who helps manage the property, said so far only 7 acres along Fashion Valley Road and across from JC Penney have been proposed for development. That includes a health club, two restaurants and an office building.

■ Mission Valley Heights, a 1 million-square-foot business park.

Large-scale developments being considered include:

■ Quarry Falls, a mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented project at the Vulcan Materials Co. sand-and-gravel quarry, bounded by I-805 and Friars and Mission Center roads.

City staff members said the project is expected to generate 30,000 to 40,000 vehicle trips per day.

A proposed extension of Mission Center Road to Phyllis Place to serve the development has met with opposition from Phyllis Place residents, Wilhoit said.

■ Qualcomm Stadium, where the Chargers want to build a new stadium, parking and parks on 106 acres, and 6,000 residential units, office space, retail operations and a hotel on 60 acres.

Chargers spokesman Mark Fabiani, however, said "we are not at a point when any of this is within years of happening" because of an impasse in negotiations with the city over the team's lease.

Fabiani said the Chargers propose spending \$100 million in tax-increment money on road improvements.

Wilhoit is realistic.

"There will probably always be congestion," he said.

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This loss gives USD new hope

Toreros play Zags even until the end

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Twelve minutes into the game last night, USD led Gonzaga, the 10th-ranked men's college basketball team in the nation, by 11 points.

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With less than five minutes left, the Toreros were only down by four.

But the 85-73 decision Gonzaga finally claimed rendered it just another loss for USD (3-17, 0-5 West

Coast Conference) and just another routine win for Gonzaga (16-2, 6-0). Or did it?

Not judging from the way the opposing sides assessed it afterward.

"San Diego came out and did a nice job tonight," Gonzaga coach Mark Few said. "They were prepared and they didn't play like a team that's — whatever their record is.

"We did not come with the same passion that they had. And we haven't played like that this year. That's not why we are in the position we're in. I thought San Diego beat us to nearly every ball for stretches of the game and they were more physical than we were.

"This group has been remarkably consistent all year with their effort and their focus, but we were just lucky to survive this one tonight. We finally stepped up and



USD's Brice Vounang (left) gets rejected by Gonzaga's Sean Mallon in the first half at Jenny Craig Pavilion. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

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Ninth straight loss could be turning point

made some plays."

Gonzaga got 20 points from senior All-WCC forward Cory Violette, a like number from freshman Adam Morrison, 18 from junior standout Ronny Turiaf and 11 from All-America guard candidate Blake Stepp in chalking up its ninth straight win.

USD saw Brice Vounang go for 22 points, Brandon Gay produce 19 points and 10 rebounds, and Brett Melton gun 22 on six-of-10 shooting from three-point range. And even if they committed the familiar 20 turnovers in absorbing a ninth straight loss, the Toreros were encouraged by the way they acquitted themselves against a national power.

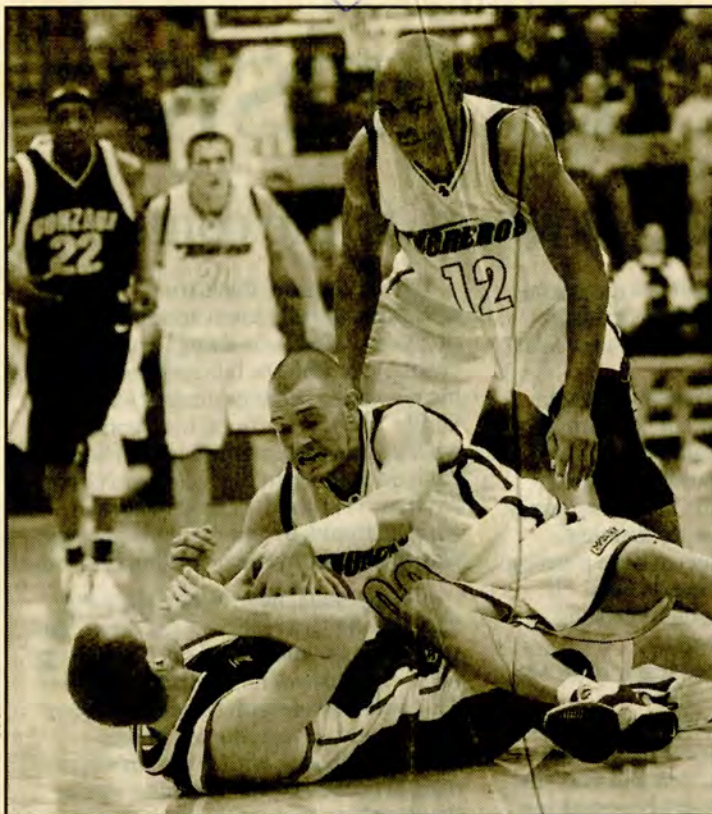
"We played a lot better to-night than we had been," Melton said. "Gonzaga has all the right in the world to be ranked No. 10 in the country, and we hung right with them."

USD played as intense and tidy (only six turnovers) a half as it had all season in the first 20 minutes — and trailed at halftime 37-36.

The Toreros went the first nine minutes without a turnover, were surprisingly strong inside and led 32-21 when Gay cashed two free throws with 8:11 remaining to the break. At that point, Gay had his first-half output of 13 points and Vounang had eight of his 12.

Predictably, however, Gonzaga was not shaken. And the Bulldogs strung together an 8-0 run and two 4-0 spurts to gain the upper hand.

Vounang made two free



USD's Brett Melton lands on Kyle Bankhead in a struggle for the ball in front of Brice Vounang. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

throws with 1:37 remaining to give USD a 36-33 lead. But Violette took care of business on the Zags' next two possessions to set the halftime score.

"I thought Cory did a really good job of adjusting his mindset about halfway through the first half and he really started delivering," Few said.

USD, meanwhile, went through periods in both halves where it either failed to get the ball inside to its big men, or forgot about trying. And at those times Gonzaga exploited its strength and depth to build comfortable leads or, in the final five minutes, pull away.

"I don't think they played like a 3-16 team," Violette said.

"They've got some players, they've got some talent, it's just a matter of them putting it together. And for stretches there, they actually did.

Loss No. 17 was the most ever for a USD team coached by Brad Holland, who is in his 10th year at the school. But his demeanor wasn't downtrodden.

"Our effort was what it needed to be," Holland said. "Our guys played solid and inspired for the most part. I told them they could walk out of the locker room with their heads held high.

"If we can play with an outstanding team like that, it should motivate us for the rest of the season."

WCC

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Gonzaga	6	0	1.000	16	2	.889
Santa Clara	4	2	.667	12	9	.571
Pepperdine	4	2	.667	9	12	.429
St. Mary's	3	2	.600	12	8	.600
San Francisco	3	3	.500	13	9	.591
Portland	2	4	.333	8	11	.421
Loyola Mary	1	5	.167	10	9	.526
USD	0	5	.000	3	17	.150

Yesterday's Results

Gonzaga 85, USD 73
San Francisco 64, LMU 52
Pepperdine 86, Saint Mary's 82
Santa Clara 75, Portland 64

Tomorrow's Games

Portland at USD, 7 p.m.
Saint Mary's at Loyola Marymount, 7
San Francisco at Pepperdine, 7 p.m.
Gonzaga at Santa Clara, 7:30 p.m.

SUMMARY

Gonzaga 85, USD 73

	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Turiaf	31	6-9	6-11	4	0	4	18
Bankhead	30	2-4	2-2	4	4	2	8
Violette	36	9-11	2-2	7	1	2	20
Stepp	39	3-12	2-2	6	9	1	11
Knight	15	2-4	2-2	0	4	3	6
Morrison	23	9-15	1-3	3	1	6	20
Raivio	13	0-3	0-0	3	0	0	0
Mallon	13	0-1	2-2	2	2	1	2
Totals	200	31-59	17-24	33	21	16	85

Percentages: FG .525, FT .708. 3-Point Goals: 6-20, .300 (Stepp 3-10, Bankhead 2-4, Morrison 1-3, Knight 0-1, Raivio 0-2). Team Rebounds: 4. Blocked Shots: 4 (Morrison 2). Turnovers: 15 (Knight 4). Steals: 12 (Violette 5, Stepp 5). Technical Fouls: None.

	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
USD							
Gay	25	5-13	8-9	10	1	5	19
Vounang	39	8-17	6-6	7	0	1	22
Lewis	32	2-8	1-1	6	0	2	5
McGrain	32	1-3	2-2	5	8	4	5
Fogel	22	0-1	0-0	1	1	2	0
Melton	30	8-14	0-0	0	1	3	22
Hubbard	20	0-1	0-0	0	2	1	0
Totals	200	24-57	17-18	34	13	18	73

Percentages: FG .421 FT .944. 3-Point Goals: 8-15, .533 (Melton 6-10, Gay 1-1, McGrain 1-1, Fogel 0-1, Lewis 0-2). Team Rebounds: 5. Blocked Shots: 2 (Gay, Lewis). Turnovers: 20 (Lewis 6). Steals: 4 (McGrain 2). Technical Fouls: None.

Gonzaga (16-2, 6-0)	37	48	- 85
USD (3-17, 0-5)	36	37	- 73

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Toreros battle, but still fall short

Foul trouble leads to 16th defeat

By Marcus E. Walton ⁴¹⁵⁴
SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

MORAGA — For coach Brad Holland and the USD Toreros, the losses continue to pile up. But, at least last night, Holland and the Saint Mary's Toreros could say they saw the sun peeking over the horizon.

The Toreros (3-16, 0-4 West Coast Conference) lost their eighth straight, 86-67 against the Saint Mary's Gaels (12-7, 3-1), but Holland said the team was at least "on the same page more than not on the same page."

"We took a step forward in how we competed that will help us down the road and get us a conference win," Holland said, looking much more optimistic than he did after his team's loss against San Francisco on Thursday.

Despite the team's 16th defeat, the most since Holland's first year at USD, the Toreros shot 47.2 percent from the field and were outrebounded by only four.

"We don't look like a group that quits on you," Holland said. "I told them to use tonight as a springboard to the rest of the season."

While there were moments of passion from the Toreros, the game started out much like their loss to USF — poorly. Brandon Gay scored the first six points for USD, but he picked up two fouls in the first two minutes. Brice Vounang quickly joined him on the bench, picking up two fouls in the first six minutes.

The Gaels took advantage of

the missing big men, running out to an 18-point lead at 42-24.

"Those guys are key for us. We have three very good athletic big guys, so of course not having them made a huge difference," USD guard Brett Melton said.

Saint Mary's coach Randy Bennett, a former assistant at USD under Holland, said that the Toreros' foul trouble definitely helped the situation for his squad.

"I felt we were in control, but I was uncomfortable when they got within four," he said. "The players they have are very good, but they just don't have much depth."

The Gaels, coming off a big win against Santa Clara, continued their hot long-range shooting, hitting six of their first 10 three-point shots.

The Toreros managed to battle their way back into the game before the half, holding Saint Mary's scoreless for the final 3:41. During that time the Toreros scored 10 unanswered points, punctuated by a tip by Gay with no time left in the half.

"I love the fact that we had a 10-0 run to end the half," Holland said.

"But our lack of execution offensively hurt us in the second half."

The second half started off much better than the first as USD closed to within four at 48-44 thanks to eight straight points by center Nick Lewis, including two three-point shots.

Then, just as in the first half, the Toreros' main scoring threat was put on the bench with foul trouble. Once Lewis sat, the Gaels went on a 12-2 run.

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Dons deal Toreros seventh straight loss

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SAN FRANCISCO — For the first 12 minutes last night the USD Toreros looked nothing like a team that had only three wins in 17 games. They were fast, accurate and aggressive, beating their opponents to almost every ball.

Then the University of San Francisco Dons (11-9, 1-3 West Coast Conference) turned up the pressure on their full-court defense and the Toreros (3-15, 0-3) withered, losing their seventh consecutive game, 78-68, and taking a spot at the bottom of the conference standings.

"Our inability to rebound and take care of the ball undermined our progress again tonight," a de-

jected coach Brad Holland said of the Toreros. "We play well in spots, but we can't keep it together for a whole game."

After jumping to a 13-point lead with 7:26 left in the opening half, USD faltered in the face of the USF defense. The Dons closed out that period with a 21-5 run, punctuated by a three-pointer with time running out by Jovan Harris that gave the host team a 36-35 halftime lead.

The second half was a clinic put on by the Dons on how to run a full-court press. If the Toreros didn't pass the ball into the teeth of the defense, the Dons simply ripped it from their fingers, collecting 15 steals and forcing 24 turnovers.

"You're crazy not to press us," Holland said. "We haven't proven we can handle the pressure for long stretches. We handled it early, but then we started playing into their hands."

USD shot well from the floor, hitting 58.5 percent of its shots, but the Dons simply had more looks at the basket. USF took 64 shots to San Diego's 41, thanks to the steals and a 34-28 rebounding edge.

The loss to the Dons, who were the only other conference team without a win, could be the sign of a season with little redeeming value for the Toreros.

On Saturday night, they go to Moraga to play Saint Mary's, which upset Santa Clara last night. When the team returns to Jenny Craig Pavilion next weekend, its hosts Gonzaga and Portland, who hold the first and third spots in the conference.

That schedule combined with the injuries to three players and the recent suspension of senior Brad Lechtenberg, does little to give the team, or Holland, much hope for the season.

"I've quit focusing on our oppo-

nents, and I'm focusing on this team," Holland said. "It doesn't matter who we play. We have to focus on getting better and bringing that to game time."

The inside presence of Brice Vounang and Brandon Gay combined for 40 points and 14 rebounds, but it wasn't enough to halt the Toreros' losing streak.

After the Dons took a 14-point advantage in the second half, the Toreros managed to stay within comeback distance but could never close the gap.

"It seemed like one or two guys on our team broke down whenever we needed a big basket or a big stop," guard Mike McGrain said. "I had a couple of turnovers that really hurt us down the stretch."

McGrain, who played all but two minutes, finished with six points and 11 and assists, but nine turnovers.

Toreros enlisting size for '04-05

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By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

The one time Mike Shepherd saw the USD men's basketball team play in person — Dec. 23 against UCSD at the Jenny Craig Pavilion — was the last time the Toreros won.

Now Shepherd, a 6-foot-9, 220-pound forward/center from Odessa (junior) College in Texas, plans on contributing to a greater frequency of USD victories next season.

Shepherd has made an oral commitment to USD and can make it official via a letter of intent when the next NCAA signing period begins on April 14.

Potentially, Shepherd could bolster the Toreros in several different ways. His size adds depth to the front line. His playing style — "I'm a very physical person who brings a lot of energy to the game and I can set good picks and play defense" — fits well on any team.

And, at 23 with a two-year Mormon mission to Washington, D.C., behind him, Shepherd adds a dimension of maturity.

Shepherd, who grew up in Orem, Utah, and spent one season at Utah Valley JC, is averaging 10 points and eight rebounds for a 9-9 Odessa team.

He was discovered by Brian Fish, USD's associate head coach and recruiting coordinator, who has extensive Midwest and Southwest connections. Shepherd decided to commit to USD after a campus visit Dec. 22-24.

"I'd been to San Diego a few

Men: USD at San Francisco

Site/Time: War Memorial Gym/7:05 tonight
Records: USD 3-14, 0-2 WCC; USF 10-9, 0-3
Radio: KCBQ-AM (1170)
Series: USD leads 26-23

Outlook: Home-court advantage is the major factor in a game between teams that have struggled mightily on the road. USF is 6-0 at home, 4-9 elsewhere. The Dons have scored an average of 13 more points and allowed an average of 12 fewer at home than away. Their three WCC losses were at Santa Clara, Gonzaga and Portland. USD is winless in 11 starts outside its campus, and the current six-game losing streak includes two WCC games last week at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Matchup to watch: USD vs. USF's pressure defense. With no true point guard, the Toreros have been turnover-prone even when not strongly pressed. Easy baskets off USD miscues could stoke a USF offense that has been flagging.

— HANK WESCH

Women: USD vs. Saint Mary's

Site/Time: Jenny Craig Pavilion/7
Records: USD 5-11, 0-3 WCC; Saint Mary's 11-6, 3-0
TV/webcast: 4 San Diego/www.usdtoreros.com
Series: USD leads 27-9

Outlook: With a losing streak that has reached five, the Toreros are looking forward to playing again on their home floor, where they are 4-3 this season. USD lost to the Gaels in Moraga to open conference play. Picked to finish last by WCC coaches, Saint Mary's is leading the conference and is the only team without a WCC loss. This game marks a homecoming for two Gaels — Triola Jackson (Kearny High) and Brianna Winn (Bishop's).

Matchup to watch: Toreros senior center Marta Menuez, who recently scored her 1,000th career point, needs five rebounds for 500 in her career. Charged with stopping Menuez: Jackson, the reigning WCC Player of the Week.

— NICOLE VARGAS

Women: SDSU vs. Wyoming

Site/Time: Cox Arena/7
Records: SDSU 5-9, 0-1 MWC; Wyoming 5-10, 1-1
Webcast: www.goaztecs.com
Series: Wyoming leads 13-10

Outlook: After opening MWC play with a loss at UNLV on Saturday, the Aztecs return home to face Wyoming. The Cowgirls, predicted by MWC coaches to finish seventh, surprised the league with a win at BYU last weekend. It was Wyoming's fourth victory in seven games, a major turnaround from an 0-5 start.

Matchup to watch: SDSU's defense against Wyoming junior Ashley Elliott, the MWC's No. 2 scorer at 16.2 points per game. The Aztecs held UNLV's RanDee Henry to 10 points, well below her conference-leading average (19.3).

— NICOLE VARGAS

times and played in the Torrey Pines tournament in high school, so I knew I liked the city," Shepherd said. "I was able to watch them practice and saw the (UCSD) game and felt I would fit in perfectly with the program."

USD's lack of success (3-14) this season has not deterred Shepherd.

"It doesn't bother me," he said. "They're young and they've had some tough breaks. But they're getting some players back and new players in, so they won't be in the same situation next year."

NCAA rules prohibit coach Brad Holland from commenting on Shepherd until after letter-of-intent receipt.



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USD men can't buy a win with loss at USF

By: North County Times

SAN FRANCISCO ---- Jovan Harris scored a career-high 18 points to pace the University of San Francisco to a 78-68 win over the University of San Diego men's basketball team in a West Coast Conference matchup at USF Thursday night.

The Dons, who dropped their first three conference games, all on the road, improved to a perfect 7-0 at home this year.

USF got off to a slow start and trailed by as many as 13 points with 8:23 remaining in the half, put on the press and outscored the Toreros (3-15, 0-3) 21-7 before halftime to take a 36-35 halftime lead.

The Dons continued to pour it on by outscoring the Toreros 18-6 over the first 6 1/2 minutes of the second half to take a 54-41 lead and were never threatened after that.

USF took advantage of a press to take control, scoring 29 points on 24 USD turnovers.

The Toreros were paced by 22 points from Brice Vounang and 18 by Brandon Gay.

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Suspension, loss added to Toreros' basketball woes

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By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

USD's men's basketball season continued to head south yesterday, and appeared to be picking up steam as it rolled toward ignominy.

Pepperdine
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First it was announced that senior guard Brad Lechtenberg was suspended indefinitely for violating team rules. Then the Toreros, with six scholarship players and four walk-ons suited up, went out and lost to Pepperdine 88-79 before 2,031 at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

It was the sixth straight loss for USD (3-14) and completed an 0-2 opening to the West Coast Conference season.

"When you start at home in conference and go 0-2, that's as bad a start as you can get," said USD coach Brad Holland, stating the obvious.

The 14 losses are as many as any USD team compiled in an entire season in the past eight years. The 1995-96 and 1997-98 teams both went 14-14. The Toreros are on pace for the worst season since USD moved up to Division I in 1979, with the current low being 8-20 in 1988-89.

Pepperdine (7-12, 2-2) got a combined 58 points from the junior trio of forwards Glen McGowan (23), Yakhouba Diawara (18) and Terrance Johnson (17). The Waves mounted a 13-2 run between the 11:52 and 6:49 marks of the first half to open a 27-20 lead, built that to 47-31 at halftime and were in full control until a USD spurt in the final five minutes produced a final score that made the game appear closer than it was.

Brice Vounang (19 points, six rebounds), Brandon Gay (17-9) and Nick Lewis (17-2) paced the Toreros and Brett Melton added 12 points. Nine of Gay's points came in the last 8:37 after Vounang fouled out in frustration with USD trailing 72-52.

"Brandon Gay was ineffective the first half, but the good news is that he turned it around and had a great second half," Holland

said.

Gay, a 6-foot-8, 200-pound junior transfer from Seward County Community College in Kansas, figured he has experienced more losses this season than in his junior and senior years of high school and sophomore year of junior college combined.

It hasn't been what he envisioned when he committed to a program that qualified for the NCAA Tournament last year.

"But I also knew that USD was losing a lot of players, and it was going to be upon the recruited players to pick up that load that (Jason) Keep and (Jason) Blair, Roy Morris and Matt Delzell left," Gay said.

"I didn't think I would be in this situation. But everyone finds themselves in situations like this at times. You just have to fight and try to get yourself up out of it some way."

The suspension of Lechtenberg, a senior from Walnut Creek, was based on an infraction Thursday night following a loss to Loyola Marymount.

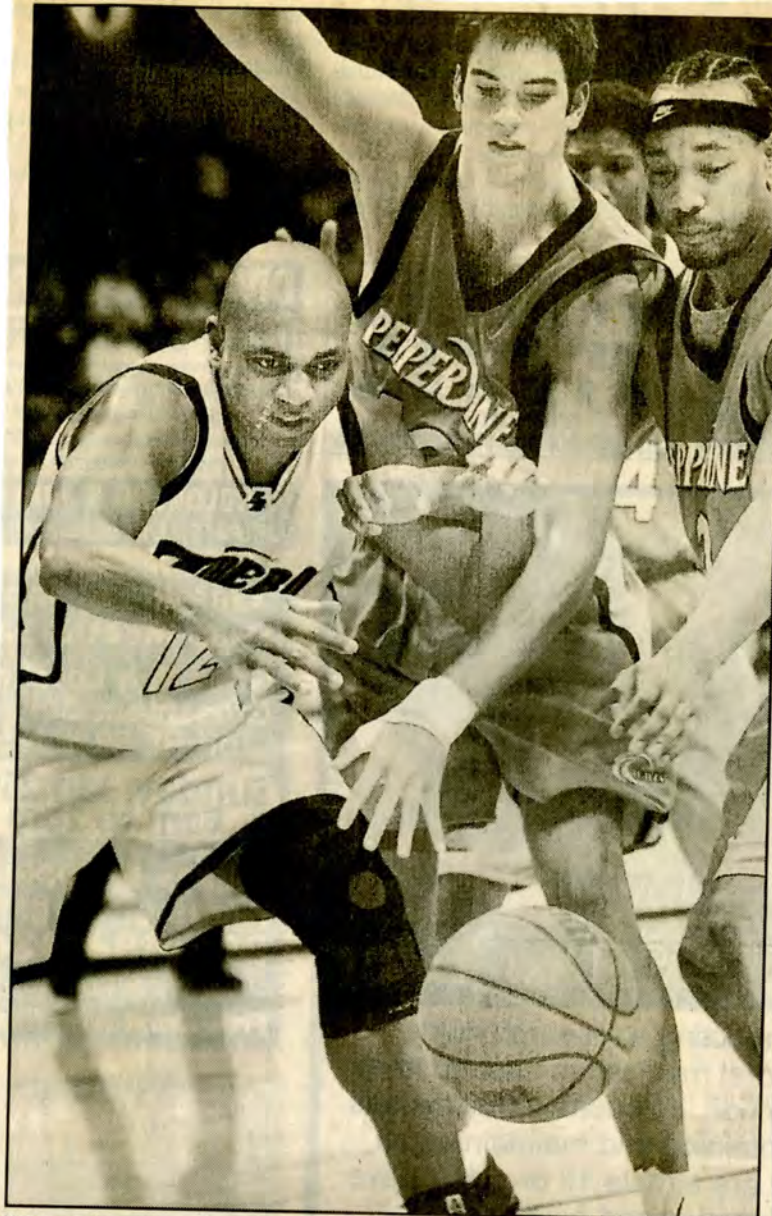
"He will be suspended for a minimum of five games, and he will have to work very hard to make his way back onto our basketball team," Holland said. "He has an opportunity to do that, but we need to go through these next five games and see how Brad responds."

Lechtenberg will not be allowed to practice, travel with or generally be around the team, Holland said.

Through 16 games, Lechtenberg had made 11 starts and averaged 9.8 points per game. He was the team leader in three-point shooting at 45.5 percent (45-for-99).

It was the second suspension for Lechtenberg in as many years. He was one of four players suspended in the 2002-03 preseason for an undisclosed infraction. Lechtenberg and two other players were reinstated after 10 days, but the incident resulted in one other player being dismissed from school.

Asked if the latest infraction were in any way similar or related, Holland said: "I can't comment on that."



USD center Brice Vounang (left) battles Pepperdine's Derick Grubb (center) and Glen McGowan for loose ball. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

SUMMARY

Pepperdine 88, USD 79

PEPPERDINE	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
McGowan	29	9-12	3-4	6	2	4	23
Diawara	24	6-7	4-4	2	1	2	18
Grubb	11	0-0	0-0	3	1	3	0
Davis	27	1-5	2-3	0	3	2	4
Johnson	36	6-12	2-2	3	3	3	17
Pinegard	15	3-4	0-0	6	2	1	8
Lea	4	1-2	1-2	2	0	1	3
Jarbo	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Turner	8	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Griffin	10	2-3	4-6	1	2	2	9
Horning	34	2-5	0-0	1	2	1	6
Totals	200	30-50	16-21	31	16	19	88

Percentages: FG .600, FT .762. 3-Point Goals: 12-23, .522 (Johnson 3-6, McGowan 2-3, Diawara 2-3, Pinegard 2-3, Horning 2-5, Griffin 1-1, Davis 0-2). Team Rebounds: 5. Blocked Shots: 3 (Horning, Pinegard, McGowan). Turnovers: 16 (Turner 4). Steals: 9 (Horning 3). Technical Fouls: McGowan.

USD	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Gay	26	7-16	2-3	9	1	4	17
McGrain	36	2-5	0-0	3	7	5	4
Vounang	24	9-15	1-2	6	1	5	19
Melton	31	4-8	1-3	2	1	0	12
Hubbard	30	1-9	0-0	2	4	3	2
Fogel	7	1-1	0-0	1	1	1	3
Hannula	16	2-2	0-1	2	1	0	5
Lewis	30	6-8	2-5	2	1	0	17
Totals	200	32-64	6-14	29	15	18	79

Percentages: FG .500, FT .429. 3-Point Goals: 9-17, .529 (Lewis 3-3, Melton 3-6, Fogel 1-1, Hannula 1-1, Gay 1-2, McGrain 0-2, Hubbard 0-2). Team Rebounds: 2. Blocked Shots: 0. Turnovers: 15 (Hubbard 4, Melton 4). Steals: 6 (McGrain, Vounang, Melton, Hubbard, Fogel, Lewis). Technical Fouls: None.

Pepperdine (7-12, 2-2)	47	41	- 88
USD (3-14, 0-2)	31	48	- 79

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WCC

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	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
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Santa Clara	3	0	1.000	11	7	.611
Portland	2	2	.500	8	9	.471
Pepperdine	2	2	.500	7	12	.368
St. Mary's	1	1	.500	10	7	.588
Loy. Mary.	1	3	.250	9	7	.563
USD	0	2	.000	3	14	.176
San Francisco	0	3	.000	10	9	.526

Yesterday's Results

Pepperdine 88, USD 79
 Santa Clara 70, Loyola Marymount 54
 Portland 77, San Francisco 63
 Gonzaga 75, Saint Mary's 61

Tuesday's Game

No. Colorado at Loyola Marymount, 7 p.m.

Thursday's Games

USD at San Francisco, 7 p.m.
 Santa Clara at Saint Mary's, 7 p.m.

Friday's Game

Gonzaga at Portland, 7:30 p.m.

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Loyola feasts on Toreros' home cooking: turnovers

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By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

The conference opener at home was a lot like the nonconference games on the road have been for the USD men's basketball team.

A lot of turnovers and a loss.

The Toreros committed 26 turnovers, including 16 in the second half, as Loyola Marymount overcame a three-point halftime deficit to deal USD a 76-68 West Coast Conference defeat last night before 1,652 at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

"A gutty road win for our team after losing two at home," said LMU coach Steve Aggers.

"We shot 56 percent from the field,

LMU
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Toreros
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and you love to do that," said USD coach Brad Holland. "But our perimeter (players) did not do the job and we had 26 turnovers. You cut that down to 13, we get 13 more shots at the

basket and we win this game.

"But that's our season."

USD (3-13, 0-1) lost for the second time in five home games this season. The Toreros are 0-11 outside the JCP.

Loyola Marymount (9-6, 1-2 WCC) got 25 points from Sherman Gay and 23 from Keith Kincade to offset a monster night from USD junior center

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Turnovers turn game over to LMU

Brice Vounang, who had 25 points and 15 rebounds. The points tied his USD career-high output against New Mexico nine days earlier in the Toreros' final nonconference game. The rebounds were one shy of his total in a November home victory over Southern Methodist.

Vounang's stats also told the tale of the game from the Toreros' standpoint. He had 21 points on 10-of-15 shooting in the first half, four points hitting 2-of-4 shots in the second half.

"We double-teamed him a little more in the second half and we turned up our defense on the other players," Aggers said. "That was emphasized at halftime. I didn't think we'd played defense that well the first half."

Holland saw it slightly differently.

"Yes, Loyola played tougher defense in the second half. But I thought a lot of ours were unforced turnovers," Holland said. "The reason Brice didn't get more shots in the second half was because we either turned the ball over before we could even try to get it to him or because we didn't make a very good entry pass."

USD rode Vounang's 21 points to a 34-31 lead at the end of a mostly ugly first half.

The teams' combined first five possessions produced five turnovers and they combined for 22 miscues — 12 by LMU — in the half.

A seven-point lead by the Lions in the first 6:29 was the largest margin for either side. With 10:34 to play LMU led 18-12 as Kincade (10) and Gay (8) accounted for all the points.

But USD chipped away, kept feeding Vounang inside and kept mining points. The 6-foot-8, 250-pounder scored 14 of USD's final 22 in the half, including the last six. He showed a full repertoire of inside muscle and finesse moves and hit several short- to mid-range jump shots.

"The first half they played mostly with the guy at my back, so it was easier to get the ball and get a shot," Vounang said. "The second

West Coast Conference

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Gonzaga	3	0	1.000	13	2	.866
Santa Clara	2	0	1.000	10	7	.588
St. Mary's	1	0	.000	10	6	.625
Loyola Mary.	1	2	.333	9	6	.600
Portland	1	2	.333	7	9	.438
Pepperdine	1	2	.333	6	12	.333
USD	0	1	.000	3	13	.188
San Francisco	0	2	.000	10	8	.556

Yesterday's Games

Loyola Marymount 76, USD 68

Gonzaga 92, San Francisco 50

St. Mary's, Cal. 70, Portland 51

Santa Clara 75, Pepperdine 68

Today's Games

None scheduled

Tomorrow's Games

Pepperdine at USD, 3 p.m.

San Francisco at Portland, 7 p.m.

Loyola Marymount at Santa Clara, 7 p.m.

St. Mary's, Cal. at Gonzaga, 8 p.m.

SUMMARY

Loyola Marymount 76, USD 68

	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
LMU							
Kincade	35	7-12	5-5	7	1	1	23
S.Gay	33	11-19	3-6	4	1	0	25
Ayer	20	1-2	0-0	3	1	4	2
C.Brown	30	5-9	2-2	2	6	2	13
Martin	30	3-6	1-2	4	4	1	7
Montgomery	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Dickens	10	0-1	1-2	0	0	1	1
Wardrop	18	2-5	0-0	2	0	1	5
Knight	4	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0
D.Brown	7	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Kasko	6	0-1	0-0	1	0	2	0
Totals	200	29-56	12-17	28	13	15	76

Percentages: FG .518, FT .706. 3-Point Goals: 6-12, .500 (Kincade 4-5, Wardrop 1-3, C.Brown 1-3, Martin 0-1). Team Rebounds: 3. Blocked Shots: 2 (Gay, Kasko). Turnovers: 19 (C.Brown 7). Steals: 15 (Martin 5). Technical Fouls: None.

	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
USD							
B.Gay	23	7-10	2-2	6	1	4	16
Vounang	36	12-19	1-1	15	5	2	25
Melton	34	3-5	0-0	1	1	3	9
Lechtenberg	32	2-6	0-0	1	3	3	5
McGrain	32	1-2	1-4	1	4	2	4
Hubbard	22	2-5	1-3	2	3	1	5
Lewis	21	2-5	0-0	1	3	2	4
Totals	200	29-52	5-10	29	20	17	68

Percentages: FG .558, FT .500. 3-Point Goals: 5-13, .385 (Melton 3-5, McGrain 1-2, Lechtenberg 1-4, Lewis 0-1, Hubbard 0-1). Team Rebounds: 2. Blocked Shots: 2 (Hubbard, Lewis). Turnovers: 26 (Vounang 6, McGrain 6). Steals: 8 (Vounang 4). Technical Fouls: None.

LMU (9-6, 1-2)	31	45	- 76
USD (3-13, 0-1)	34	34	- 68

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half they were fronting me and it was tougher."

It wasn't that the Toreros didn't anticipate the defensive focus on Vounang. But they weren't able to execute the necessary ball rotation on the perimeter to allow him to free himself, or get open for kick-out passes from Vounang when he got the ball and the defense collapsed.

The Toreros' first 11 possessions of the second half resulted in



The Toreros' Brandon Gay goes up and over Loyola Marymount's Sherman Gay for two of his 16 points. Charlie Neuman / Union-Tribune

eight turnovers and three LMU baskets. By the time that six-minute stretch was over, the halftime lead had been turned into a 46-40 deficit from which there was no recovery.

Junior forward Brandon Gay had 16 points, 12 of them in the

second half, and six rebounds for USD. Sophomore forward Nick Lewis, in his first action since incurring a concussion at New Mexico, had four points and one rebound in 21 minutes.

The Toreros are home against Pepperdine tomorrow.

Going back to 0-0 lifts USD spirits

Home game opens Toreros' WCC slate

By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

USD junior Mike McGrain sums up the recently completed nonconference portion of the Toreros' basketball schedule in four two-word phrases:

- "Road trips."
- "Not competitive."
- "Difficult schedule."
- "Learning experience."

Add 3-12, the Toreros' record, and you can see why coach Brad Holland's team is embracing the fresh start represented by the opening of the West Coast Conference schedule tonight against Loyola Marymount.



Loyola Marymount at USD

When: 7 tonight

What: West Coast Conference opener for USD

Outlook: We're all a little down about the way the season has gone so far. How could you not be? But we're still a young team and we're still enthusiastic.

The game is at the Jenny Craig Pavilion, where USD has performed only four times in its first 15 games and where it has produced all of its victories.

"We're 0-0," said sophomore forward Nick Lewis. "Preconference doesn't

"The way McGrain has been running around and pumping people up in practice this week, you'd think we were 15-0."

McGrain, a 6-foot-3 swingman from Portland, has amassed 64 games' experience in three seasons at USD. As a freshman he started the first 21 games before going down with a foot injury. Last season he only started twice in 27 appearances but was a valuable utility player on the first USD team to qualify for the NCAA Tournament in 16 years.

He has started every game this season, averaging 3.5 points, 4.7 rebounds and 6.4 assists. He leads USD in assists and ranks second in the WCC. McGrain's assist-to-turnover ratio of nearly 2.5-to-1 stands out on a team that has 33 more

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Downtrodden team happy to start over

turnovers than assists. He also tied a school record with 14 assists on Dec. 30 against Winthrop.

"Mike is probably the most productive player I've ever had who doesn't score many points," Holland said. "At the end of a game you look at the stat sheet and he'll have eight assists and one turnover, a couple of steals and he'll have taken three charges."

"Mike has been our most consistent player, our best competitor and our toughest player this season. He plays multiple positions (every one but center) and he knows everybody's job on every play. It's a credit to him that he's able to understand and do that."

It's not surprising, then, that the team has looked to McGrain as its leader.

"It has and it should," McGrain said. "I'm the one with the most experience. I consider myself a leader and I want to be a leader by example."

"I knew a year ago it would be up to me to step up this season. I watched what Matt Delzell did last year and

learned from him. I don't think I could have had a better person to learn from."

Although the season to this point has been drenched in negatives — injuries, blowout losses on the road, sloppy play — McGrain remains optimistic.

"This team has potential," McGrain said. "If we play solid basketball, everybody together and doing what they're capable of doing for 40 minutes a game, we'll be fine. I absolutely believe that."

Based on nonconference results, USD — picked fifth of eight by WCC coaches before the season — has sunk to the bottom of the league with people who have to make rankings.

"We're last. That's correct," Holland said. "But that's why you play the league out. I refuse to give up on us."

"With however many healthy bodies as we've had, we haven't been near the team we could be. No way. We haven't fired on all cylinders. Haven't gotten the guys we have playing well all at once."

Gonzaga is, once again, the top team in the league. By a wide margin.

But the other six teams, excluding USD, all have six to eight losses.

"Whenever you start a new season, there's always hope, and I'm seeing that in our guys' eyes," Holland said.

Especially the eyes of McGrain.

Men: Loyola Marymount at USD

Site/Time: Jenny Craig Pavilion / 7 tonight

Records: Loyola Marymount 8-6, 0-2 WCC; USD 3-12, 0-0

Radio/Webcast: KCBO-AM (1170)/www.usdtoreros.com

Series: LMU leads 33-32

Outlook: Two teams in similar circumstances in that both are desperately in need of a win — LMU because it dropped its first two WCC games at home; USD to purge the memories of a torturous nonconference schedule. LMU's top players are forward Sherman Gay (16.6 ppg, 5.8 rpg), guard Charles Brown (11.7 ppg, 2.0 apg) and forward Keith Kincade (11.5 ppg). USD has five players with double-figures scoring averages.

Matchup to watch: LMU's 6-7, 200-pound Sherman Gay vs. USD's 6-8, 220-pound Brandon Gay. Same surname. No relation. Similar games.

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USD's Lewis back home after getting concussion

By Hank Wesch
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USD basketball player Nick Lewis sustained a concussion but no other serious injuries in Tuesday's game at New Mexico, Toreros head trainer Carolyn Greer reported yesterday.

Lewis, a 6-foot-10, 235-pound sophomore forward/center, was injured when struck in the face by teammate Brice Vounang's elbow in the third minute of Tuesday's 88-75 loss in Albuquerque.

Lewis was knocked unconscious and lay motionless for several minutes. Regaining consciousness, he complained of tingling in his lower extremities and was taken off the court on a stretcher with his neck in a brace.

Lewis was released from University of New Mexico Hospital at 2 a.m. yesterday, Greer said, after CT scans allayed concerns of possible neck or spinal cord injuries. He returned from Albuquerque with the team later yesterday morning.

The Toreros did not practice yesterday and are scheduled for a weight lifting session only today, from which Lewis has been excused. They will resume regular practice tomorrow for their next game, the West Coast Conference opener against Loyola Marymount a week from tonight at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Lewis is to be examined and have his condition re-evaluated by neurologist Dr. Jonathan Schleimer today.

"We'll know more about (a possible return to the court) then," Greer said.

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San Diego center Lewis hurt, taken to hospital

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. —
University of San Diego center
Nick Lewis was taken to a hos-
pital after falling hard to the
court in the Toreros' game
against New Mexico.

The 6-foot-11, 235-pound
Lewis was removed from the
court on a stretcher Tuesday.
He was involved in a collision
during a scramble for a loose
ball in the opening minutes.
Lewis was on the court on his
back for about 10 minutes while

being attended to by medical
personnel.

Lewis was taken to the Uni-
versity of New Mexico Hospital.
A hospital spokesman said
Lewis would be evaluated but
his condition was not immedi-
ately known.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL REPORT

Noteworthy

- San Diego center Nick Lewis was taken to a hospital last night after being knocked unconscious after a collision in the opening minutes against New Mexico.
- A meeting between point guard Brandon Cotton and Michigan State coach Tom Izzo to discuss the freshman's expected transfer was postponed until today. ★

Buttner, Inglima standouts in hoops

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Former Porterville College men's basketball coach George Nessman, who led the school to the 2000 California state title, had a defensive policy known as "special rules."

The special rules applied to an opposing player who could light it up. Whenever Nessman's special rules applied, under no circumstances was that player to be allowed to shoot the ball.

It's safe to say that special rules apply to Carson High graduate Ryan Buttner, a sophomore at Feather River Community College in Quincy. But while opponents have been doing everything to make sure that Buttner doesn't shoot the ball, the former Senator standout has picked up where he left off as a freshman when he was named to the All-Golden Valley Conference first team last season.

Buttner, a three-point specialist who has improved his overall game this year, is not the only former Carson standout who is a star in Northern California community college basketball this season. His former teammate, Vince Inglima, who teamed with Buttner to lead Carson to the



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2002 Sierra League title, has been a standout for Cabrillo in Aptos, Calif. In the latest NorCal rankings, Cabrillo (9-5) is rated No. 12 and Feather River is No. 15.

Feather River got off to a slow start this season, losing its first four games, but since has won six of its last seven. The Golden Eagles open defense of their Golden Valley Conference title this weekend at Shasta.

Buttner has been a key to Feather River's turnaround, which included the title at the Consumnes River Tournament. Buttner hit 15 three-pointers in three games in the event on his way to being named to the all-tournament team. In the finals, Buttner scored 19 points as Feather River beat Delta, then ranked No. 2 in the state.

For the season, Buttner's improved all-around game is shown through his statistics in which he's averaging 18 points, six rebounds and three assists a game.

There's more pressure on Buttner and the guards now since Feather River has lost two of its post players to injuries. "We don't have a big inside presence now," Buttner said.

Buttner had a simple explanation for Feather River's 0-4 start. "We just weren't putting it together," he said. "We have all the pieces for a good team."

He said the Golden Eagles have the ability to be one of NorCal's four teams to advance to the State Final Eight to be held in March in San Diego. But as the defending conference champions, Buttner said every opponent will be fired up to play the Golden Eagles. "We've got to come out every night ready to play," he said.

Since teams are guarding him closer, Buttner has been finding other ways to

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score. "People pretty much know I can shoot," he said. "I can barely get open. I've been having to mix it up. I've been running all around just trying to get open."

But Buttner's strength is his quick release, which he said has become even quicker with work over the off season. "Over the off season, I put in a lot of work," he said.

So Buttner has still been a three-point threat, hitting 54 threes and shooting 43 percent from behind the arc for the year.

Buttner, though, still has a sour

taste in his mouth from the way last season ended. Inglima and Cabrillo came to Feather River and upset the Golden Eagles in the first round of the NorCal playoffs.

"I still think about that all the time," he said. "We shouldn't have lost like that. We shouldn't have went out like that. Hopefully we'll get them again this year."

Inglima hasn't really given him a hard time about last year's playoff game, Buttner said. "He's not too bad about it," Buttner said. "He's been pretty good about it. Vince is a real good guy. We're still close."

Buttner has been receiving interest at the Division I level. Among the schools who have

shown interest are St. Mary's, the University of San Diego, Oregon and national power Gonzaga.

"I'll have a couple of options hopefully," Buttner said. "I definitely want to keep playing."

He said he was surprised to learn that Gonzaga was interested. "They said they're going to be keeping their eye on me. I couldn't believe it when I heard that."

The chance to play for Gonzaga or Oregon would be "awesome," Buttner said. "Either one of them I would love to play for," he said.

Inglima could also have the chance to move on to the next level. Among the Division I schools showing interest in Inglima is Sacramento State, said Car-

son coach Bruce Barnes.

Inglima has been consistently scoring in double figures for Cabrillo. Inglima is coming off a performance on Tuesday in which he scored 18 points in Cabrillo's 71-59 win over Skyline.

Among Inglima's other highlights this season was making the all-tournament team at the Diablo Valley Tournament and scoring 19 points in an 83-68 win over Columbia, then NorCal's No. 8 ranked team.

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Toreros lose; Aztecs routed

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Marta Menez had her third straight double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds, each game highs, but USD fell 75-63 to host Portland last night.

After trailing 32-27 at half-time, USD (6-13, 1-5 West Coast Conference) came back, eventually taking a 48-44 lead.

But the Toreros could not hold on as the Pilots (8-11, 3-3) were led by Cecily O'Rielly-Williams, Ashlee Orndorff and Lauren Himmelspace with 14 points apiece.

NEW MEXICO 76, SDSU 42: San Diego State got off to a bad start shooting and never recovered, losing to host New Mexico in front of 9,917 in The Pit. The Aztecs (6-11, 1-3 Mountain West Conference) missed their first 12 field goal attempts and shot just 4-31 from the field in the first half, enabling the Lobos (11-6, 3-1) to enjoy a 44-11 lead at the break. At one point, the Lobos were up 21-0. SDSU finished the game 4-of-19 on three-pointers. Candace Mattson and Courtney Fritz (three three-pointers) each had 11 points for SDSU, which has lost six of its last eight games. New Mexico was led by Melissa Forest's 11 points.

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Aztecs change it up, see red in victory over CSU

By Nicole Vargas
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The San Diego State women's basketball team donned red uniforms for the first time at home last night, but head coach Jim Tomey wasn't about to credit his team's first Mountain West Conference win to the different duds.

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"It was really the players in the red uniforms," said Tomey after the Aztecs' 58-55 victory over the Colorado State Rams at Cox Arena.

Watching her team's 14-point second-half advantage turn into a back-and-forth battle of lead changes in the final minutes, SDSU freshman Courtney Fritz ignored the Rams defender in front of her and put in a fadeaway three from the top of the arc that ignited the gathering of 698.

The basket, with 1:04 left in the game, put the Aztecs (6-10, 1-2) ahead 56-55.

"I put it up knowing it would go in," said Fritz, who finished with 15 points on five three-pointers. "That's how it needs to be."

With just four seconds remaining, Fritz topped her clutch shot with a clutch steal on an inbounds play, ending

the Rams' last best chance to take the lead.

"That was probably the bigger play," Tomey said.

In the end, Fritz's 15 were matched by Michelle Elliott, who added three more threes. Responsible for getting the ball to the two turned out to be senior forward Nicolette McCartney, who dished out a career-high seven assists.

The defense, though, was what really made the difference in handing the Rams their third straight loss. CSU (10-7, 1-3) had averaged nearly 70 points on the road, and the Rams' 37 percent shooting was well below their average of 44 percent outside of Moby Arena.

USF 83, Toreros 74

Just days after handing Saint Mary's its first WCC loss, the USD women gave San Francisco its first WCC victory — 83-74 — at Jenny Craig Pavilion. Three Toreros scored in double-figures behind senior Marta Menez, who had her second straight double-double with 19 points and 12 rebounds. But two Dons proved impossible to stop. Junior Toni Russell scored a career-high 28 points to go with senior Carey Sauer's 25 for USF (8-10, 1-4).

The Toreros (6-12, 1-4) got 15 points, including three three-pointers, from sophomore Lindsay Helvey.

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USD women win WCC home opener

By Nicole Vargas
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The basket might as well have been a square for the USD women's basketball team last night, but between stellar defense and solid free throw shooting, the Toreros finally put an end to their losing streak at five.

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Saint Mary's

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USD won its West Coast Conference home opener, 53-45 over Saint Mary's, handing the Gaels their first conference loss in front of 382 at Jenny Craig Pavilion.

"The defense has to be the story of the game," said Toreros coach Kathy Marpe, whose team made up for its 30 percent shooting by allowing Saint Mary's to only put in 29.6 per-

cent of its shots. "They don't score a lot of points, but we really took them out of their offensive scheme."

USD (6-11, 1-3) also outperformed the Gaels from the free throw line, making 17-of-20 compared with 11-of-19 by Saint Mary's (11-7, 3-1).

Leading the way was senior Marta Menuez, who not only put together a double-double, scoring 14 points to go with her 10 rebounds, but collected her 500th career rebound along the way.

Menuez, who with senior Melissa Padgett dished out nine assists, was one of three players who finished in double figures. Lindsay Helvey put in 14, including 8-of-8 from the free throw line, while Brandi Collato added 10, including the baseline three that put the Toreros ahead for good.

"We needed that win, absolutely," Marpe said. "We just kept fighting, fighting, fighting."

Gaels guard Evynn Van Burger put together a double-double of her own with 13 points and 11 rebounds, but junior Triola Jackson, a Kearny grad who averaged 19.5 points and 10 rebounds in her first three WCC games, scored only 10 points with eight rebounds.

Wyoming 71, Aztecs 60

Aztecs sophomore Veronica Shaw scored a team-high 17 points in her first start of the season and was one of three SDSU players to score in double figures, but it wasn't enough to push the Aztecs (5-10, 0-2) ahead of the Cowgirls (6-10, 2-1) in Mountain West Conference play at Cox Arena last night.

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Toreros get wiped out under Waves in Malibu

By Nicole Vargas
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MALIBU — After Pepperdine suffered through a disappointing nonconference schedule and losses in its first two West Coast Conference games, it looked as if the slumping Waves would be hard pressed to defend their conference women's basketball title.

"They've been playing really, really badly," said USD coach Kathy Marpe. "They had to get out of their slump sooner or later."

The slump ended in time for the Toreros' visit, and the Waves proved they were back to their old form with a 90-49 trouncing of USD at Firestone Fieldhouse last night.

The Toreros (5-11, 0-3) might have seen this coming, considering they weren't Pepperdine's first victim of the week. Santa Clara left Malibu with an 85-62 loss two nights earlier. Before USD, Pepperdine's greatest margin of victory was 24 points over UC Irvine.

"They took it to us big-time," Marpe said.

With the win, the Waves moved to .500 in conference play, while the Toreros hoped their first WCC game at home next week might also mean their first conference win and the end of a losing streak now at five.

"We need to be at home," Marpe said. "We haven't been shooting well."

Added sophomore Lindsay Helvey: "It'll be nice playing on our gym floor."

Although USD kept up with Pepperdine early on, even tying the score at 10-10 on a Marta Menuiez layup six minutes into the game, the Waves took off on a tear, finishing the first half with a 41-9 run and a 51-19 lead at the buzzer thanks to a baseline jumper by Waves senior Shandrika Lee.

It marked the end of the worst first-half performance of the year for the Toreros, who made just 25 percent of their shots. Meanwhile, Pepperdine's 56.4 percent shooting in the first 20 minutes yielded a result that was one point off its final score against Hofstra seven games earlier.

"It's all about confidence," Helvey said. "You come out and hit a couple, and your confidence goes through the roof."

The proof came only seconds into the second half, when Lee hit almost the same shot from a few steps farther out to open the period with a three-pointer, one of the team's season-high 14. Lee would finish with four treys, a total bettered by junior Shanell Law.

Law's five threes would help her finish with a game-high 17 points. Sje was one of four Waves who scored in double figures.

"When they get going, there's almost nothing we can do to stop them," Marpe said.

Menuiez paced USD's offensive effort with 11 points, and her seven rebounds means she is just five away from 500 in her career.

Melissa Padgett, who was 2-of-2 from three-point range, finished with seven.

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Menuez reaches 1,000 mark

By Nicole Vargus, STAFF WRITER

It came, admittedly, a game later than she would have liked, and with a less-than-desirable result at the end.

But with a layup over Loyola Marymount's Jenni Smith, USD's Marta Menuez became only the eighth woman in Toreros basketball history to reach 1,000 career points in USD's 63-52 loss to the Lions in West Coast Conference play at Gersten Pavilion last

night.

"I would have rather had the win," said Menuez afterward. "We just couldn't finish it."

The game was lost, said Toreros head coach Kathy Marpe, in the final minutes of the first half. Although USD closed LMU's lead to 20-19 with 3:05 left in the period, the Lions roared back with a 10-2 run that put them ahead 30-21 at the buzzer.

The Toreros (5-10, 0-2) bounced back with better shooting (41 percent vs. 32 percent) and fewer turnovers (eight vs. 13) after intermission, and even closed LMU's second-half 14-point lead to just 53-50 with a jumper from sophomore Jamie Crowin with 2:14 remaining.

But LMU senior Kate Murray hit all eight of her free throws down the stretch on her way to a game-high 19 points.

"She's a great player," Marpe said. "We don't really have a go-to player like that."

Despite dropping a fourth straight game, Marpe admitted she couldn't be disappointed because of how close this one was, especially considering USD had dropped three straight here by an average of 16 points and last year lost by 20.

"We're competing and we're at the point where we can change ballgames on their home floor," Marpe said. "I'm disappointed in this loss and the Saint Mary's loss, but I'm not disappointed in where we're going."

That road next takes the Toreros to Malibu for tomorrow's game against Pepperdine. The Waves are the defending conference champions but have struggled early in WCC play. "Playing Pepperdine is a really mental thing," said Menuez, who finished with 14 points and with her nine rebounds, is 12 away from 500 for her career. "Now is our best time to go in there and play our best. We just have to play smart basketball."

Behind Menuez, Corwin finished with eight points, while senior Melissa Padgett scored seven points to go with her eight rebounds. However, USD was just 2-of-11 from three-point range.

LMU (11-5, 2-1) got nine points each from guards Raelen Self and Bianca Ziemann, while Rachel Ziemann came off the bench to score seven with her nine rebounds.

Rants and raves translate for Gaels

■ St. Mary's women turn up the intensity and make a second-half turnaround to beat San Diego in their conference opener

By Jennifer Starks
TIMES STAFF WRITER

MORAGA — It's safe to say St. Mary's women's basketball coach Michelle Jacoby gave her team an earful at halftime. After what transpired in the first 20 minutes of Saturday night's West Coast Conference opener against the University of San Diego, Jacoby had plenty to discuss with her team.

It's also safe to say a good portion of that rant was geared toward the Gaels' inability to control the boards in the first half.

St. Mary's responded in a big way to whatever Jacoby told them, and once the Gaels started crashing the boards, the entire complexity of the game changed. The defensive intensity picked up, the shots started to fall and a double-digit deficit morphed into a 56-47 win at McKeon Pavilion.

"I knew we'd do better with the rebounds because that's something we take pride in," Jacoby said. "We put a lot of emphasis on that, and we just needed to do a better job of focusing."

After getting out-rebounded 25-16 in the first half and shooting a mere 33 percent from the floor, St. Mary's (9-6, 1-0) entered the second half with a renewed focus. That meant bad things were in store for San Diego. The Gaels kept chipping away at a deficit that faced them for most of the night and took their first lead of the game when forward Monica Mertle scored on a put-back and completed a three-point play for a 38-37 lead with 9:25 left in the second half. On the next series, Evynn Van Burger grabbed a rebound, went coast-to-coast and converted a layup to increase the advantage to 40-37. Van Burger led St. Mary's with 13 points, nine of which were scored in the second half.

San Diego coach Kathy Marpe sensed the Toreros were in trouble, and she was right.

"We played like a bunch of pansies. I told our team the players that out-work and out-hustle will win. We did that the first 15 minutes, and they did it the last 25."

— San Diego coach Kathy Marpe

"(St. Mary's) intimidated us," Marpe said. "We played like a bunch of pansies. I told our team the players that out-work and out-hustle will win. We did that the first 15 minutes, and they did it the last 25."

The first 15 minutes definitely didn't belong to the Gaels. St. Mary's struggled to get into any kind of rhythm. In fact, it took the team nearly eight minutes to hit its first field goal, a 3-pointer by Serena Benevente.

San Diego (5-9, 0-1) took a commanding 19-5 lead, its biggest of the game, on a layup by Tiara Harris with 8:16 left in the first half. Lindsay Helvey paced the Toreros with 12 points.

"We just needed to play our game," said Gaels junior forward Triola Jackson, who finished with nine points and nine rebounds. "We were playing really good defense in the second half and needed to box out a little more. We needed to go back in and pick it up."

St. Mary's 56, San Diego 47

USD (5-9, 0-1 WCC)

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SMC (9-6, 1-0)

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Halftime — USD 26-19. 3-pointers — USD 7-22 (Dong 1-7, Helvey 4-5, Corwin 1-2, Padgett 1-2, Menezes 0-1, Harris 0-2, Collato 0-3) SMC 4-13 (Shaughnessy 0-1, Benevente 2-6, Van Burger 1-2, Jackson 0-1, Mertle 0-1, Lopez 0-1, Winn 1-1). Fouled out — Dong. Rebounds — USD 45 (Menezes 12), SMC 39 (Jackson 9). Assists — USD 13 (Dong, Padgett 4) SMC 10 (Shaughnessy 3). Fouls — USD 24, SMC 16. Att. — 916.

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Saint Mary's holds off USD in WCC opener

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MORAGA — The USD women's basketball team opened West Coast Conference play with a 56-47 loss to Saint Mary's at McKeon Pavilion last night.

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Although the Toreros (5-9) got as close as 44-41 with 6:41 remaining thanks to a three-pointer by sophomore Lindsay Helvey, USD made only two of its last nine shots from the floor.

As a team, the Toreros hit just 16-of-56 shots (28.6 percent) compared to the 38 percent shooting of the Gaels (9-6).

Helvey was the only Torero in double figures, finishing with a team-high 12 points. Freshman Katie Watson scored a career-high seven on 3-of-5 shooting.

Senior Marta Menuz needed 11 points to hit 1,000 for her career but only matched Watson's seven, less than half her WCC-leading season average of 15.4 points per game. The 6-foot-1 center also pulled down a game-high 12 rebounds.

Gaels junior Triola Jackson (Kearny High) was also held to a below-average nine points to go with nine rebounds, but sophomore guard Evynn Van Burger picked up the slack with 13 points. Bishop's alum Brianna Winn came off the bench to score five points with five rebounds for Saint Mary's.



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San Diego County roundup: USD opens baseball season with loss

By: North County Times

The University of San Diego baseball team managed just three hits in a season-opening 3-0 loss to Cal Poly on Friday.

Former Poway High standout Joey Prast had a single and Jose Ortega had a pair of hits for the visiting Toreros (0-1).

USD starter Kyle Collins allowed two hits and one run in four innings. Reliever Patrick Lucy (Fallbrook) gave up three hits and one earned run in 2 1/3 innings.

Matt Guiliano (Valley Center/Palomar College) was 1-for-3 and scored a run for the Mustangs (1-0).

The three-game series continues at 1 p.m. today.

Aztecs baseball postponed

The San Diego State baseball team had its season opener against the University of Hawaii-Hilo postponed by thunderstorms.

Both teams will evaluate the conditions today and hope to play one game in Hilo in the afternoon. If the bad weather persists, the entire series may be moved to Kona on the western side of the island of Hawaii.

The series will now be five contests instead of the originally scheduled six.

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USD counting on a veteran lineup

By: DAVID HAMMEL - Staff Writer

With North County players crucial to its quest for a third straight NCAA tournament berth, the University of San Diego baseball team opens its season today at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo.

The Toreros return their entire starting pitching rotation from last season's team, along with their best hitter, Poway High graduate Joey Prast, and valuable utility player Tom Caple (Rancho Bernardo).

USD (No. 39) is the only West Coast Conference team ranked in Collegiate Baseball's preseason top 40, yet conference coaches picked the Toreros to place second in the eight-team league behind Pepperdine.

The Toreros compiled a 32-30 record in 2003 with a schedule so packed with college baseball's elite that coach Rich Hill, by midseason, admitted it was too difficult and vowed not to duplicate it. This year's slate includes a three-game series at preseason top 10 Texas and a weekend home series with Washington, a preseason top 25 pick. The Toreros will also help open Petco Park in March with tournament games against Nebraska (preseason top 10) and Long Beach State (preseason top 15).

Leading the USD returnees is Prast, a fifth-year senior outfielder who hit .348 last year with a conference-best 57 RBIs. Prast is a third-team preseason All-America pick by Collegiate Baseball.

Also back are outfielder Josh Hansen, whose offense carried the team over the final weeks of the 2003 season, and third baseman Freddy Sandoval.

Senior Kyle Collins (9-5, 3.69 ERA in 2003) is expected to be the team's top starting pitcher again. Senior Aaron Wilson (6-6, 4.55) and sophomore Justin Blaine (4-5, 4.28) return as the Nos. 2 and 3 starters, while hard-throwing freshmen Nate Boman and Josh Bulter should make immediate impacts.

Caple, a two-time All-WCC pick who received a medical redshirt last season (arm injury), will start in center field and assume the closer's role. Caple recorded nine saves in 2001.

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Toreros pitch another shutout at Cal Poly

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USD sophomore left-hander Justin Blaine combined with two relievers on a five-hit shutout yesterday at Cal Poly, beating the Mustangs 4-0 to take two of three games in the series at San Luis Obispo's Baggett Stadium.

Blaine allowed three hits in five innings. Freshman Josh Butler took the mound in the sixth and allowed just two hits over the next three innings. USD center fielder Tom Caple picked up his first save of the season by pitching a perfect ninth.

Caple collected three of USD's nine hits in the game. Teammates Randy Curtis and Keoni Ruth had two hits apiece.

It was the second straight shutout for the Toreros (2-1), who recorded a 10-0 victory on Saturday against the Mustangs (1-2). USD meets Cal State Northridge in its home opener Friday at Cunningham Stadium. The teams then go to Northridge for two games.

Aztecs split again with Hawaii-Hilo

San Diego State split a doubleheader with Hawaii-Hilo for the second straight day, winning the first game 9-2 before dropping the nightcap 5-3 at Simmons' Field in Kona.

SDSU's Chris Hartshorn went the distance in the seven-inning first game, striking out six while walking three batters. Center fielder David Hall led the Aztecs offense with two hits and three RBI. Right fielder Jake McLintock drove in two runs for the Aztecs.

SDSU took a 3-0 lead in the second inning of the second game when the Vulcans (4-7) committed two errors, but the Aztecs (2-2) couldn't do a thing thereafter.

The teams conclude their five-game series today. SDSU opens a three-game series with Sacramento State on Friday at Tony Gwynn Stadium.

— KIRK KENNEY

LOCAL COLLEGES

Aztecs split opening doubleheader; Tritons stun Stanford

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The San Diego State baseball team opened the season with mixed results, splitting a doubleheader yesterday at Hawaii-Hilo's Wong Stadium.

SDSU won the first game 6-3, limiting Hilo to four hits while taking advantage of three Vulcans errors for three unearned runs. In the second game, the Aztecs lost a slugfest 15-13 as each team collected 18 hits.

In the opener, catcher Jordan Swaydan homered for the Aztecs and short-stop James Guerrero drove in two runs. Scott Shoemaker went the first six innings for the win and Ryan

Schroyer pitched the final inning for the save.

Right fielder Jake McLintock led SDSU in the nightcap, going 4-for-5 with 4 RBI.

Toreros 10, Cal Poly 0

USD turned the tables on Cal Poly with a 10-0 shutout at Baggett Stadium in San Luis Obispo.

One day after USD suffered through a three-hit shutout, the Toreros' Aaron Wilson and Nate Boman combined on a three-hit shutout of their own.

Wilson allowed two hits over six innings for the win. Boman, a fresh-

man left-hander from Patrick Henry, allowed one hit and struck out four the rest of the way for the save.

Left fielder Josh Hansen helped the Toreros to a 7-0 lead in the third inning with a two-out grand slam. Hansen finished the game with three hits and five RBI.

— KIRK KENNEY

Men's volleyball

UCSD stunned sixth-ranked Stanford, beating the visiting Cardinal 30-27, 23-30, 33-31, 30-22. UCSD had never beaten an opponent so highly ranked in the AVCA Div. I-II poll.

Jeff Urton led the Tritons, who had

five players with double kill figures, with 16 kills and 10 digs. Adam Toren had 15 kills, and Jim Waller (13), Kevin Keyser (11) and Adam Rusch (10) rounded out the offensive effort for UCSD (3-2, 2-1 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation). Nate Jones had 54 assists.

The Tritons had 17.5 team blocks compared to just five for Stanford (4-4, 2-2 MPSF).

UCSD outhit Stanford .444 to .143 in the final game.

Swimming

SDSU beat host Loyola Marymount 140.5-45.5. Freshman

Emily Parker won the 1,000 freestyle in 10:27.35.

Hannah Ryan won the 200 freestyle in 1:54.27, in addition to taking the 500 freestyle in 5:08.28.

Caitlin Friedhoff won the 50 and 100 freestyle for the Aztecs (6-5 in dual meets); Stella Karoly won the 200 individual medley and 100 butterfly.

Men's tennis

USD (2-0) snapped Tulane's 24-game home winning streak with a 4-3 victory in New Orleans.

Robbie Blair defeated Tulane's Jacobo Hernandez in No. 5 singles 6-2, 6-7, 7-6 to seal the victory.

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LOCAL COLLEGES

Toreros shut out in baseball opener

Cal Poly limited USD to three hits in the Toreros' season-opening 3-0 loss before a crowd of 1,246 at Baggett Stadium in San Luis Obispo.

USD starting pitcher Kyle Collins allowed one run over four innings before giving way to reliever Patrick Lucy. The Toreros committed four errors, but two of the three Mustangs runs were earned.

Cal Poly's Jimmy Shull won with 5½ innings of work, striking out five while allowing two hits. USD's offense was limited to two

singles by shortstop Jose Ortega and one single by right fielder Joey Prast.

SDSU postponed in Hawaii

San Diego State's season opener at Hawaii-Hilo was postponed because of a daylong rainstorm that included thunder and lightning.

The teams are hoping to play one game today and doubleheaders tomorrow and Monday in a series that has been reduced from six to five games.

SDSU freshman second base-

man Lance Zawadzki, who transferred in from Louisiana State during the semester break, missed the Hawaii trip after suffering an attack of appendicitis earlier in the week.

According to Aztecs coach Tony Gwynn, Zawadzki had his appendix removed Tuesday night during surgery at Alvarado Hospital. Gwynn said Zawadzki was expected to be released from the hospital today. He is likely sidelined for at least seven to 10 days.

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2004 USD BASEBALL

He fits like a glove

Toreros thrived after catcher's position switch

By Kirk Kenney
STAFF WRITER

On any given day, Josh Hansen could be found playing any one of a number of positions for the USD baseball team.

That's why Hansen's gear bag includes a catcher's mitt as well as gloves for first base and the outfield. Although when the Toreros open the season this weekend at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, Hansen won't be needing a glove because he is expected to DH.

The way things began last fall, Hansen wouldn't have needed a glove, either. He was on academic probation.

"I had to get over a 2.2 grade-point average to stay in school and play baseball," said Hansen. "I was extremely worried. It was probably the most stressed I've ever been in my life."

Baseball took a back seat as Hansen hit the books. He may have surprised even himself with a 3.4 GPA last semester.

"Three A's and a C," he said. "Coach (Rich) Hill gave me a big hug when I told him."

Hansen's absence would have left a gaping hole in the

heart of the Toreros' batting order.

What did he learn from the experience?

"The maturity of knowing when to study and when to play baseball," said Hansen. "Everyone says you have to stay on top of academics."

"It only took until my senior year to realize it."

Hansen seems to make the most of second chances.

The 6-foot, 215-pound senior from Irvine attended Wake Forest out of Mater Dei High. When things didn't work out there after his freshman year, Hansen came home and attended Cypress Community College. His performance there led to the opportunity at USD.

But Hansen struggled his first two months last season, batting .226 with three home runs. He was still sharing the position at catcher, only because no one else had produced behind the plate.

When left fielder Mike Oseguera was injured, Hansen moved to left. Suddenly, Hansen began to hit. He never stopped, batting .396 with six homers the second half of the season.

Hansen believes the difference was not having to deal with the mental and physical demands of catching.

"You basically watch the game instead of being in on every pitch," said Hansen, who hit .309 on the season with nine homers and 48 RBI. "I wouldn't say it's boring, but it's more laid-back."

With an ever-present smile and an easygoing nature, Hansen can appear laid-back on the field. Don't believe it. There's

an intensity that surfaces when the game begins.

Hansen's sense of purpose is especially evident when he's working out. He's a fanatic in the weight room, due in no small part to his older brother, Chris, who trained as an Olympic weightlifter.

Hansen showed his strength down the stretch last year.

"He really put us on his back and carried us through the WCC playoffs," said Hill.

Hansen's three-run home run in the ninth inning at Portland clinched the West Division title for the Toreros. He had an even more dramatic homer two weeks later with an eighth-inning, two-run shot at Pepperdine that gave USD the WCC championship and its second straight NCAA playoff berth.

The Toreros trailed 1-0 when Hansen turned it around. He pumped his fist as he circled the bases and received a hero's welcome at home plate.

"I knew I hit it well, but I didn't know if I did anything until I saw it land," he said. "Then I heard the crowd go nuts."

He wants to give fans something to talk about again this season.

"You know when a hitter comes to the plate and takes a big swing and you hear those 'oohhhs' and 'ahhhs' in the crowd?" he said. "I've always enjoyed watching guys take a hack like that."

"When I make up my mind to swing, I want to intimidate the pitcher. I'm going to swing as hard as I can and take the best hack that I can. Whether I hit the ball is another thing..."

On deck

2003 in a nutshell: The Toreros (32-30) lost nine of their first 11 games, then spent the remainder of the year turning things around. They did it. USD won the West Division of the West Coast Conference, then defeated Pepperdine (for the second straight year) for the WCC championship. In the NCAA Tournament, the Toreros defeated Arizona but lost close games to Notre Dame and regional host Cal State Fullerton.

Welcome back: First-team All-WCC selections RF Joey Prast (.346-12-57) and OF/C Josh Hansen (.309-9-48). Prast is the first team captain in Rich Hill's 17 seasons as a head coach. The pitching rotation returns intact, with RHPs Kyle Collins (9-5, 3.69) and Aaron Wilson (6-6, 4.55) and LHP Justin Blaine (4-5, 4.28). And CF/RHP Tom Caple, a two-time All-WCC pick, received fifth year of eligibility following a medical redshirt.

Welcome aboard: There could be occasions when the Toreros have four freshmen playing up the middle - C Jordan Abruzzo (El Capitan), 2B Keoni Ruth, SS Steve Singleton and CF Tristan Gale (Rancho Bernardo).

They're going to miss: CF/LHP Tony Perez, who sparked the offense batting leadoff and finished up on the mound with a school-record 13 saves.

Keep an eye on: RHP Josh Butler and LHP Nate Boman (Patrick Henry), freshmen could make an immediate impact.

Preseason recognition: USD was ranked No. 39 in the nation by Collegiate Baseball and No. 50 by Baseball America.

Coach Rich Hill: "From now on if we don't go to the NCAA Tournament, there's going to be serious disappointment. That's how high the bar has been raised."

- KIRK KENNEY



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Baseball Toreros nationally ranked

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The USD baseball team has gained national attention coming into the 2004 season, ranking No. 39 in *Collegiate Baseball* newspaper's preseason poll and No. 50 in *Baseball America's* initial rankings. The Toreros, who have won back-to-back West Coast Conference titles, open the season Jan. 23 at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo.

Stanford junior outfielder Danny Putnam (Rancho Bernardo) was a first-team selection on *Baseball America's* preseason All-America list. USC junior first baseman Joey Metropoulos (Monte Vista) was a third-team pick. San Diego State senior right-hander Ryan Schroyer, a transfer from Arizona State, was a third-team selection on *Collegiate Baseball's* preseason All-America teams.

— KIRK KENNEY

*Jo-Ann Nester, Director of Athletics, University of San Diego***Nearly 2 decades of administration served as foundation**

From the time she was a young girl growing up in Philadelphia, **Jo-Ann Nester's** motto has been fairly simple: I'll bring my own ball to the game.

What the new **University of San Diego** athletics director means by that is whatever challenge or new job is presented to her, she's going to try to prove that she belongs.

In part, that explains why Nester has ascended from a four-sport high school athlete to replacing the retired **Tom Iannaccone** in September. Nester's promotion came just over a year after spending nine years as an associate athletics director at **Dartmouth College**.

"I was the only girl in my neighborhood, so all of my friends were guys and they never took any pity on me, so I had to meet their standards if I wanted to play," Nester said. "I brought my own ball, so to speak, but I still had to prove myself."

Nester has taken that attitude with her throughout her administrative career.

Her first foray into athletics administration came across the street from the **University of Notre Dame** at **St. Mary's College** where she spent nine years as the athletics director.

During that time, Nester said she developed a sense that her role served a bigger purpose beyond the walls of her department.

"I've always kept in mind that there are some people out there who are really good at what they do, but don't have their own ball yet, so they can't get in the game right now," she said. "As a female administrator, I want to keep my eyes open for young people who need their own opportunity."

For now, Nester is busy getting acclimated to the ever-changing USD athletics department.

In December, USD named **Ky Snyder** as executive director of athletics and assistant vice president for student affairs.

Nester explained that Snyder will basically be in charge of external athletics affairs such as strategic planning and fund-raising, while she will remain in charge of day-to-day operations, which includes overseeing USD's 16 varsity teams and the evaluation of each coach.

Then just before Christmas, the university announced that former **National Football League** quarterback **Jim Harbaugh**

Don't undervalue importance of networking

Jo-Ann Nester spent 18 years as an administrator before she realized her dream of being a Division I athletics director.

Now that she's reached that goal, Nester can look back on her administrative career and offer some advice.

When asked what information she could have used two decades ago to begin her career, this is what she had to say:

"I would have focused more on networking at an earlier age, letting people get to know me sooner and not being satisfied with waiting to be invited," she said. "I think in this business there are only a few people fortunate enough to be discovered without help. I thought early on that once people got to know me, I'd move up the ladder."

"Twenty years ago, if I had allowed people to help me sooner, I think I would have had an easier time getting where I am. There's a lot of help out there for good people, but you need that help now." ■

would take over the football program as head coach.

Despite all the changes, Nester said it's important for athletics directors to remain committed to the department's mission of balancing academics and Division I athletics.

With that in mind, the nine years she spent at St. Mary's as a Division III administrator trained her well for the rigors of leading a Division I program.

"My experience at St. Mary's allowed me to build a foundation of my philosophy and to make sure that who I was was reflected in my program," Nester said. "Nobody is better than the good of the whole. My coaches and athletes saw me everyday, supporting them. I lived and died by their programs and traveled with them."

"Even though I have to plan time into my day now to see my coaches and go to games, I still do it because it's who I want to be."

According to USD, Nester's experience at St. Mary's and her responsibilities as Dartmouth's associate athletics director provided a perfect backdrop to allow her to become one of about 30 female athletics directors at the Division I level.

"Her years of experience as an athletic administrator have prepared her well for this position because she clearly understands her role with this department and within the mission of the university," said Vice President for Student Affairs **Bob Pastoor**.

You can contact Jo-Ann Nester at (619) 260-4600, Ext. 4603. ■

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Miami hires Raider coach

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By Nancy Gay

CHRONICLE STAFF WRITER

While the Raiders wrapped up a brief second day of interviews with Miami Dolphins offensive coordinator Norv Turner for their head-coaching vacancy, the team learned it will be in the market for a new offensive coordinator as well.

Marc Trestman, who spent the past three seasons in charge of the Raiders' offense and shared play-calling duties with deposed head coach Bill Callahan during the 4-12 season of 2003, was hired Saturday as the Dolphins' new quarterbacks coach.

Trestman, 48, becomes the third Raiders assistant to leave since the end of the season. Former quarterbacks coach Jim Harbaugh left to assume the head-coaching position at the University of San Diego, and Mike Waufle was hired as the New York Giants' defensive line coach Tuesday after spending six seasons with the Raiders in the same capacity.

Turner, 51, is scheduled to return to Miami this morning. He is the sixth candidate to interview formally for the Raiders' vacancy and the fifth to meet face to face with Davis and newly promoted team executive Mike Lombardi, who now has officially assumed the senior assistant role formerly held by Bruce Allen.

League sources say Turner received several high-profile endorsements from NFL coaches and executives and that his long-time experience as a play-caller may give him an edge as the Raiders seek to hire the 14th head coach in franchise history.

The team has no other interviews scheduled, and while Davis has intimated he would like to speak with Patriots offensive coordinator Charlie Weis and defensive coordinator Romeo Crennel, neither can be contacted formally until after the conclusion of Super Bowl XXXVIII next Sunday.

Rams hire coach: The St. Louis Rams hired Mike Stock as special teams coach Saturday.

Stock held the same job for the last three seasons with the Washington Redskins. He replaces Bobby April, who was not offered a new contract. The Redskins were fifth in the NFC in kickoff returns (22.5 yards) and kickoff return coverage (20.6 yards) last season.

Other moves: The Buffalo Bills are keeping defensive line coach Tim Krumrie. New head coach Mike Mularkey now has a staff of eight assistants. He still needs coaches for the defensive backs and receivers. . . . The Chicago Bears hired Dave Toub as special teams coordinator. He was an assistant special teams coach for the Philadelphia Eagles over the last three seasons and helped coach the defensive line.

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MORNING BRIEFING

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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St. John's 24, Mount Union 6 — St. John's provided a perfect ending for coach John Gagliardi's record-breaking season, snapping Mount Union's NCAA-record 55-game winning streak with the victory Saturday in the Division III championship game in Salem, Va.

Mount Union (13-1) had won three consecutive Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowls and 109 of its last 110 games overall before falling to Blake Elliott and the Johnnies (14-0). The Purple Raiders had won seven national titles in the previous 10 years.

Carroll, Mont. 41, NW Oklahoma 28 — Tyler Emmert threw three touchdown passes to Mark Gallik to help Carroll College defeat Northwestern Oklahoma State 41-28 for its second straight NAIA championship in Savannah, Tenn.

Ex-QB Harbaugh hired at University of San Diego — Jim Harbaugh has received many coaching lessons in his life. He'll use them in his new role as head coach at the University of San Diego.

The former NFL quarterback said that he will draw

from the intensity of his former pro coach Mike Ditka and the forthrightness of his coaching father.

He will assume his duties at the Division I-AA school, which doesn't offer scholarships in football, after completing his second season as quarterback coach of the NFL's Oakland Raiders.

Colts riding wave of confidence into K.C.

By **PATRICK SAUNDERS**
The Denver Post

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jim Harbaugh did it. So did John Elway. Now it's Peyton Manning's chance.

Manning's mission: overcome the weather, the crowd and the red-hot hysteria inside Kansas City's Arrowhead Stadium and lead the Indianapolis Colts to victory in today's AFC divisional playoff game.

There is playoff precedent for beating the Chiefs in K.C. In fact, the last two times the Chiefs hosted postseason games, the visiting team pulled off the upset.

In the 1995 AFC divisional playoffs at Arrowhead, Harbaugh led the Colts to a 10-7 win on a day with the wind-chill at minus-9 degrees.

On the morning of the 1997 divisional game, Elway woke up to see ice coating the trees in Kansas City, but he led the Broncos to a tense 14-10 victory. Now the Colts come to K.C. riding a wave of confidence. Manning threw five touchdown passes and recorded a perfect 158.3 passer rating in Indianapolis' 41-10 victory over the Broncos in last Sunday's wild-card game. But that masterpiece was crafted at home, in the climate-controlled RCA Dome.

Game capsule

By **GERRY DULAC**
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

TODAY
AFC Divisional
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at Chiefs (13-3), 1 p.m.

■ Aside from New England, Indianapolis is the most impressive team in the AFC, maybe even the NFL. Two weeks after losing to Denver in the regular season, the Colts thoroughly dismantled the Broncos in last week's wild-card game, 41-10, getting a "perfect" performance from quarterback Peyton Manning, who threw five touchdowns, and a defense that stymied Jake Plummer and Clinton Portis. Despite finishing with the second-best record in the AFC, Kansas City stumbled to the playoffs, losing two of their last four and allowing an average of 27 points in their past seven games. The Chiefs were 8-0 at Arrowhead Stadium this year, but the Colts were 7-1 on the road.

■ **Prediction: Colts, 31-24.**

Today's game will be played outside in hostile territory. The Colts' most recent playoff trip to a cold-weather site was their 41-0 blowout loss to the New York Jets last year. Fortunately for the Colts, today's forecast calls for a game-time temperature of 52 degrees with little chance of precipitation.

Injury report

TODAY
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (13-4) AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (13-3) — Indianapolis Colts: OUT: TE Dallas Clark (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: S Cory Bird (leg/shoulder); S Mike Doss (ankle); CB Donald Strickland (knee); WR Troy Walters (foot). PROBABLE: S Idrees Bashir (shoulder/upper arm); CB Nick Harper (low back/thigh); CB Walt Harris (knee); DE Robert Mathis (groin); LB Jim Nelson (collarbone); RB Dominic Rhodes (knee/shoulder); WR Brandon Stokley (ankle); LB David Thornton (ankle). **Kansas City Chiefs:** DOUBTFUL: LB Mike Maslowski (knee). QUESTIONABLE: LB Monty Beisel (groin). PROBABLE: RB Derrick Blaylock (ankle); LB Fred Jones (foot); G Donald Willis (back).

Cold or balmy, snowy or sunny, Manning remains confident his team can handle the elements. When asked if the Colts are a team built to win indoors on artificial turf, Manning said: "I don't think so. That's an image that's always out there for dome teams. But we have been good on the road as well, this year. It all comes down to whether you are playing well, whether it's on the road or at home."

Road warriors: The Colts (13-4) are 7-1 on the road this season, 6-3 at home. But other numbers favor Kansas City. For instance, the Chiefs (13-3) have won 13 consecutive games at Arrowhead. Moreover, teams that play their home games in domes are just 11-32 when they venture outdoors come playoff

time. Only one dome team, the 1999 St. Louis Rams, has ever won a Super Bowl.

Harbaugh's 1995 Colts team came close to getting to the Super Bowl. After beating the Chiefs at Arrowhead, the Colts lost the AFC Championship game 20-16 at Pittsburgh. Harbaugh, hired last month as the new head coach at the University of San Diego, said beating the Chiefs in Arrowhead was a tough, but very satisfying task.

"It was very cold, I remember that," Harbaugh said. "But I loved the whole atmosphere. All the red in the stands, the way the fans tailgated. It was one of the best environments in the NFL. But I felt comfortable there, and excited."

Harbaugh said the key to the Colts' success today will be the same as it was for his Colts on that frigid January day eight years ago.

"In the first eight to 15 minutes of the game, you really have to be prepared to weather the onslaught and the storm that comes with that whole environment," he said. "There is so much emotion running through that whole stadium that you can't afford to make any turnovers or mental errors or mistakes that feed that crowd."

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Walker resigns as Aztecs golf coach

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The decision was "gut-wrenching," but San Diego State men's golf coach Dale Walker has a business opportunity he couldn't pass up, and he resigned this week, with the hope of returning as soon as next year.

Ryan Donovan, 26, will be the interim head coach. Donovan is a San Diego State alumnus who became Walker's assistant this season when Tim Mickelson left to become the head coach at USD.

Walker, 47, asked to take a leave of absence to work as a consultant for a Carlsbad-based cellular phone software company that hopes to go public within the year. But his request was denied because he is considered a contract employee at

SDSU.

Athletic Director Mike Bohn said yesterday he could not guarantee Walker a job when he returned but added, "We certainly would like to have his leadership and his continued passion and commitment to helping our program grow. I think he's going to be a longtime great asset."

Said Walker: "The way I look at it, I'm on the ultimate fund-raising mission. If everything goes well with this other company, the San Diego State men's and women's golf teams will never have to worry about money again."

Walker has a strong background in business, having served for 17 years as president and CEO of a multinational chemical company before taking the golf reins at San Diego State. In three full seasons un-

der Walker, the Aztecs have improved steadily. Last spring they finished ninth in the NCAA Western Regional and reached the nationals for only the second time in 18 years.

Walker has also been a strong local recruiter in golf-rich San Diego. Three freshmen from the area started in tournaments during the college fall season, and San Diego Junior Golfer of the Year Chris Freeman has verbally agreed to play for the Aztecs next fall.

"This is my first year with all the kids that I recruited, so it was gut-wrenching to make this decision," Walker said. "I miss it already. But I couldn't do both jobs right now, and I didn't want to hurt the golf program."

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